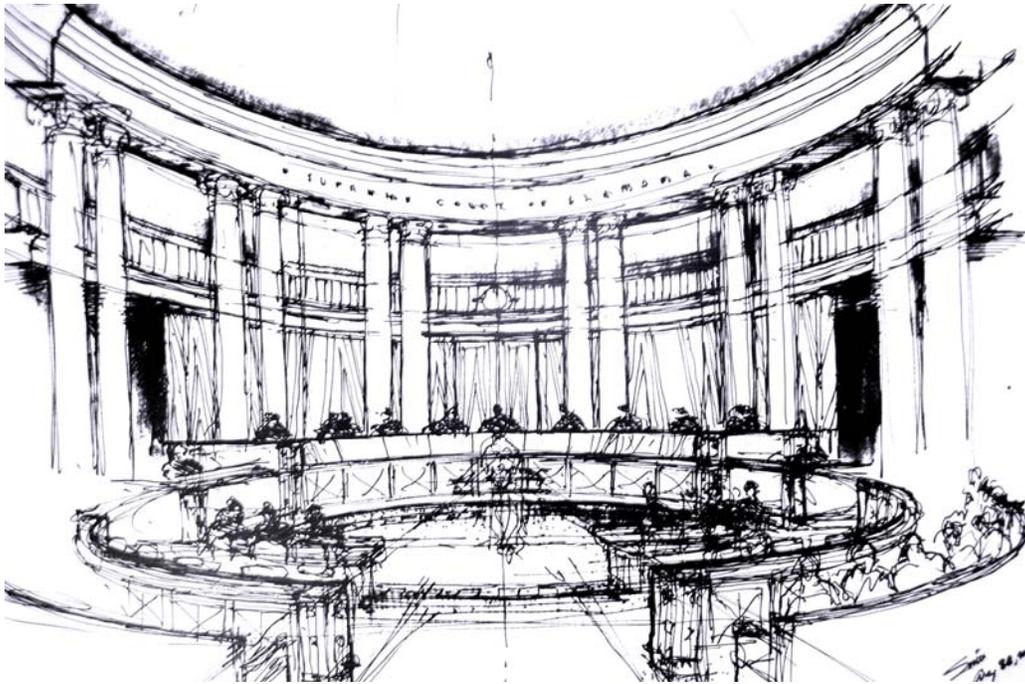


# ALABAMA UNIFIED JUDICIAL SYSTEM



## FY 2008 ANNUAL REPORT & STATISTICS



**Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Report**

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Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb  
Supreme Court of Alabama  
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Dear Chief Justice Cobb:

In accordance with §12-5-10, Code of Alabama, 1975, I am pleased to submit on behalf of the Administrative Office of Courts, the Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Report of the Alabama Unified Judicial System.

This report is an overview of events and a compendium of statistical data for the period from October 1, 2007, through September 30, 2008. In-depth trial court statistical data is also included in the report.

The accomplishments made during the Fiscal Year 2008 reflect the dedication of judges and other court officials and employees to the administration of justice and the management of judicial processes.

Sincerely,

Callie T. Dietz  
Administrative Director of Courts

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## **Alabama's Unified Judicial System**

The Judicial Article Implementation Act (Act 1205) of 1975 revised the Alabama Court System and prescribed the pattern for its operation.

### **The major changes included:**

- Over 400 trial courts were reorganized into a unified system.
- Judges were required to be lawyers (Probate Judges excluded).
  - Uniform jurisdictions were established for all trial courts.
- Judges were prohibited from re-election or appointment after age 70.
- Authority was granted to the Supreme Court to adopt rules pertaining to the administration of courts governing practice and procedure.
- Provisions provided for the adoption of "Canons of Judicial Ethics."
  - Provisions were made for the flexible assignment of judges.
- A central judicial administration system was built into the Constitution.
  - Provisions were made for a Judicial Compensation Commission.
- A Judicial Inquiry Commission and a Court of the Judiciary were created.

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Amendment 328 of the Alabama Constitution of 1901 further provided for the exclusive judicial power of the State to be vested in a Unified Judicial System, to become effective January 17, 1977. Today, the Alabama Supreme Court, Court of Criminal Appeals, Court of Civil Appeals and the Administrative Office of Courts all operate from within a single location in Montgomery, Alabama.





**Alabama Supreme Court Room**

### **ALABAMA SUPREME COURT**

The Alabama Supreme Court, Alabama's court of last resort, is composed of a Chief Justice and eight Associate Justices. All members of the Court are elected in statewide elections to six-year terms. The Supreme Court has general supervisory authority over all courts in the State and power to review any judgment of these courts. In addition, the Supreme Court has the authority to make administrative rules and regulations to ensure the efficient and speedy administration of justice and to make and promulgate rules governing practice and procedure in all courts in the state.

To facilitate the decision-making process, the Supreme Court has traditionally been divided into two divisions with a panel of four justices each. The Chief Justice sits on both divisions. If the five members of a division disagree on the disposition of a particular case, the case must be submitted to the entire Court for resolution. The Court's internal rules require consideration by the full Court of petitions for certiorari review in capital cases in which the death penalty is imposed, cases declaring a statute unconstitutional, advisory opinions to the Governor or the Legislature, utility



**Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb  
Elected in 2006**

rate cases; cases overruling a previous decision of the Supreme Court, and of petitions for certiorari review in instances where the Supreme Court is reversing a judgment of the Court of Criminal Appeals or the Court of Civil Appeals.

The Supreme Court disposed of a total of 1,758 cases during FY 2008. Of that total, 698 of the cases were direct appeals and 686 were petitions for writ of certiorari. The Court considered 330 petitions for writ of mandamus, two certified questions, and 42 miscellaneous petitions for a total of 1,758 cases.

The Supreme Court transferred ("deflected"), pursuant to §12-2-7(6), Code of Alabama (1975) total of 250 appeals to the Court of Civil Appeals and 51 appeals were transferred because they were filed with the wrong appellate court, leaving 397 appeals to be considered by the Court. Of the 397 appeals, 67 were settled in the appellate mediation program.



### **Alabama Supreme Court Justices**

#### ***Seated Left to Right:***

Associate Justice Thomas A. Woodall  
Associate Justice Harold F. See, Jr.  
Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb  
Associate Justice Champ Lyons, Jr.  
Associate Justice Lyn Stuart

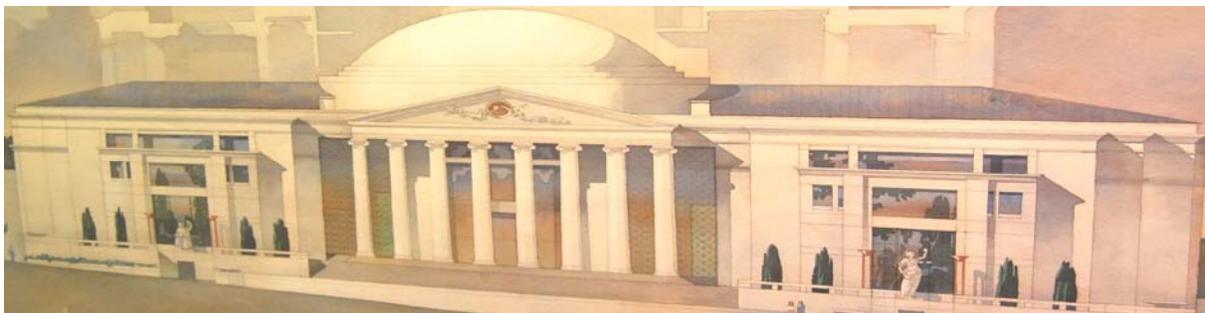
#### ***Standing Left to Right:***

Associate Justice Tom Parker  
Associate Justice Patricia M. Smith  
Associate Justice Michael F. Bolin  
Associate Justice Glenn Murdock

### **Appellate Mediation in the Supreme Court of Alabama and the Court of Civil Appeals**

The Appellate Mediation Program continues to be successful. Program administrators in each court screen all civil appeals, identifying those which may be appropriate for appellate mediation. If an appeal is referred to mediation, then mediation is mandatory but settlement is not. Appellate mediation gives the parties an opportunity to discuss alternatives to the judgment entered by the trial court and possible ruling by the appellate court. Consequently, the parties have an opportunity to reach a solution which is mutually beneficial. Moreover, because the cases are referred to appellate mediation prior to record preparation and briefing, a successful mediation has the added benefit of reducing the cost of litigation.

Since the beginning of the appellate mediation program in 2004, 390 Supreme Court cases have settled and 477 Court of Civil Appeal cases have settled. That is, for the Supreme Court, an average of 50% of the cases referred to mediation and for the Court of Civil Appeals, an average of 53% of the cases referred to mediation. Domestic relations and workers' compensation cases referred by the Court of Civil Appeals have had a higher than average excellent settlement rate.



ALABAMA SUPREME COURT  
FILINGS & DISPOSITIONS - FY 2008

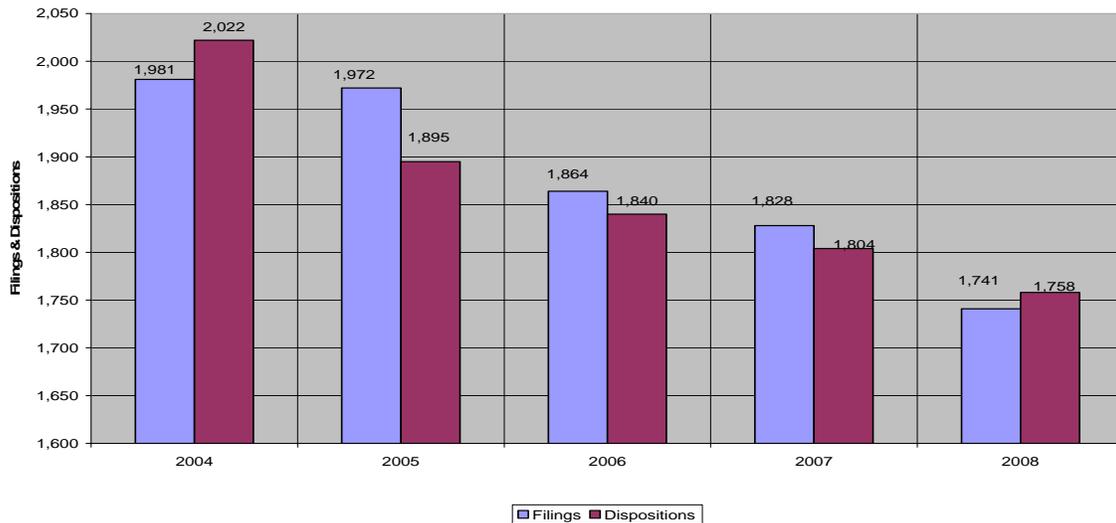
Case Type	Cases Filed	Cases Disposed	Avg. Days to Disp.*	Thruput	Pending to Start	Pending to End	Net Change
Direct Appeal	660	698	240	105.75	500	462	-38
Alabama State Bar Petition	2	2	20	100	0	0	0
Certified Question	3	2	533	66.66	3	4	1
Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Criminal Appeals	497	473	103	95.17	133	156	23
Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Criminal Appeals (Death Penalty)	27	20	271	74.07	89	96	7
Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Civil Appeals	192	193	166	100.52	95	94	-1
Miscellaneous Criminal Petition	6	4	95	66.66	1	3	2
Miscellaneous Civil Petition	1	1	542	100	1	1	0
PET: Unknown	9	11	66	122.22	2	0	-2
Petition for Permission to Appeal	31	24	162	77.41	12	19	7
Petition for Writ of Mandamus: Criminal	118	117	88	99.15	53	54	1
Petition for Writ of Mandamus: Civil	195	213	158	109.23	102	84	-18
<b>REPORT TOTAL</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>1,758</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>100.97</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>973</b>	<b>-18</b>

Cases Disposed by Deflection: 250 (14.22%)	Cases Disposed through Mediation	67
	Cases Disposed After Reinstatement From Mediation	245

# of Decisions WITHOUT OPINION: 1,506	# of Rehearing 's FILED: 101	# of Reinstated Cases: 43
# of Decisions WITH OPINION: 252	# of Rehearing's RULINGS: 83	# of Reinstated Cases Disposed: 19

\*Calculations based on the # of days from the start of the case to the finalizing entry in the docket, normally the issuance of the Certificate of Judgment.

SUPREME COURT FY 2004-2008





**Criminal Appeals Courtroom**

## **ALABAMA COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS**

The Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals is a five-judge court having exclusive appellate jurisdiction of all criminal cases, including all post-conviction writs arising therefrom. The Court has authority to issue remedial writs necessary to give it general superintendence and control over all trial courts exercising jurisdiction in criminal proceedings. Judgments of the Court of Criminal Appeals are subject to discretionary review by the Alabama Supreme Court.

**Filings** - During FY 2008, the Court of Criminal Appeals had a total caseload of 3,613 cases, of which 2,302 were new filings. The 2,302 new filings in FY 2008 represent a .7% increase in filings from the previous term and a 5.4% increase in filings from the number of filings five years earlier. With 460 filings per judge in FY 2008, the Court of Criminal Appeals had one of the highest per judge intermediate appellate court caseloads in the nation - - approximately two and one half times that of the national average according to the appellate court caseload statistics maintained by the National Center for State Courts.

**Dispositions** - In FY 2008, the Court of Criminal Appeals disposed of 2,173 cases - 1,650 appeals and 523 petitions. The Court's throughput for FY 2008 was at 94.4%. The Court concluded FY 2008 with 1,440 pending cases, a 9.8% increase over the number of pending cases at the start of the term.

**Decisions** - The Court of Criminal Appeals issued 1,338 decisions in submitted appeals during FY 2008. Of these decisions, judgments were affirmed in 1,103 appeals; judgments were reversed and the causes were remanded in 41 appeals; the trial court judgment was reversed and the cause rendered in one appeal; 44 appeals were dismissed; 141 appeals were remanded to the trial courts with directions; two appeals were affirmed in part and reversed in part, and six appeals were transferred to other courts. Written opinions were released in 137 appeals and in three original petitions. Memorandum decisions were released in 1,081 appeals. Out of the 540 original petitions that were disposed in FY 2008, 21 petitions (3.9% of the total) were granted by the Court either in whole or in part.

## Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals

**Left to Right:**  
 Judge Alisa Kelli Wise  
 Judge W.H. "Bucky" McMillian  
 Presiding Judge Pamela Willis Baschab  
 Judge Greg Shaw  
 Judge Samuel Henry Welch



**Time Standards** - In 1989 the Supreme Court, by order, set as a goal a 280-day time standard that ran from notice of appeal or the filing of a petition to the initial decision. In April 1995, the original goal was modified to conform to the Time Standards Reference Models recommended by the American Bar Association. The current goal is to issue rulings in 75 percent of all cases within 290 days from their start and in 95 percent of all cases within 365 days. In FY 2008, 83.1% of all the initial decisions by the Court of Criminal Appeals were released within the 290 days, thus beating the 75% goal for the 290-day period by 8.1%, and 92.2 % were released within 365 days, thus missing the 95% goal for the 365-day period by 2.8%. In FY 2008, the average time from start to the initial decision in all cases increased by 21 days, from 140 days in FY 2007, to 161 days in FY 2008. The average time from start to initial decision in submitted cases increased by 40 days, from 223 days in FY 2007, to 263 days in FY 2008.

### COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS CASES DOCKETED & DISPOSED FY 2008

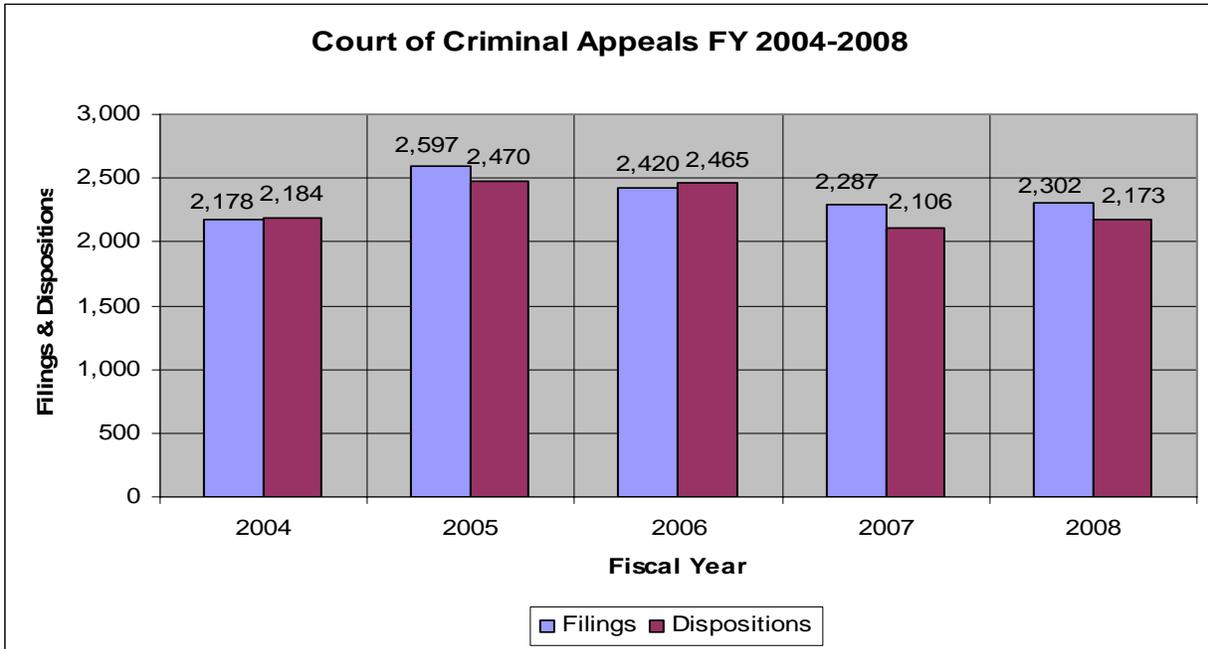
Cases Docketed	# of Cases
Cases Carried Forward From 2007 Term	1,311
New Cases	2,302
Total Cases Before the Court	3,613
Total Cases Disposed	2,173
Cases Carried Forward to 2008 Term	1,440

**COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS  
ANALYSIS OF FILINGS BY CASE TYPE  
FY 2008**

Appeals	# of Cases	% of Appeals	% of Total Filed
Convictions Appealed (Death)	12	0.7%	0.5%
Convictions Appealed (Municipal)	23	1.3%	1.0%
Convictions Appealed (Other)	582	32.5%	25.3%
Rule 32 Appeals (Death)	6	0.3%	0.3%
Rule 32 Appeals (Non-Death)	573	32.0%	24.9%
Juvenile Appeals	22	1.2%	1.0%
Probation Revocation	130	7.3%	5.6%
Restitution Order	9	0.5%	0.4%
Mandamus Appeals	11	0.6%	0.5%
Certiorari Appeal	77	4.3%	3.3%
Habeas Appeal	55	3.1%	2.4%
State Pretrial Appeal	18	1.0%	0.8%
Contempt Adjudication	2	0.1%	0.0%
Motion to Reconsider Sentence	158	8.9%	6.9%
Other	90	5.1%	3.9%
Total Number of Appeals Filed	1,768		76.8%
Original Petitions	534		23.2%
<b>Total Cases Filed</b>	<b>2,302</b>		

**COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS  
ANALYSIS OF DISPOSITIONS  
FY 2008**

<b>Appeals</b>	<b># of Cases</b>	<b>% of Appeals</b>	<b>% of Total Dispositions</b>
Affirmed	1,108	67.5%	51.0%
Reversed & Remanded	37	2.2%	1.7%
Reversed & Rendered	2	0.1%	0.1%
Affirmed in Part/Reversed in Part	2	0.1%	0.1%
Affirmed in Part/Dismissed in Part	0	0.0%	0.0%
Dismissed After Submission	40	2.4%	1.8%
Transferred by Order	6	0.4%	0.3%
Dismissed Prior to Submission	455	27.6%	20.9%
<b>Total Appeals Disposed</b>	<b>1,650</b>		<b>75.9%</b>
<b>Petitions</b>	<b># of Cases</b>	<b>% of Petitions</b>	<b>% of Total Dispositions</b>
Granted	20	3.8%	0.9%
Denied/Dismissed	429	82.0%	19.7%
Granted in Part/Denied in Part	1	0.2%	0.0%
Remanded with Directions	5	0.1%	0.2%
Transferred	68	13.0%	3.1%
<b>Total Petitions Disposed</b>	<b>523</b>		<b>24.1%</b>
<b>Total Dispositions</b>	<b>2,173</b>		



**COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS  
FILINGS & DISPOSITIONS  
FY 2008**

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2004-2008	Percent Change 2007-2008
Cases from Prior Term	1,039	1,038	1,171	1,127	1,311	26.2%	16.3%
New Filings	2,178	2,597	2,420	2,287	2,302	5.7%	0.7%
Cases Disposed	2,184	2,470	2,466	2,106	2,173	-0.5%	-0.5%
Cases Carried Over	1,033	1,165	1,125	1,308	1,440	39.4%	10.1%

**COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS  
TIME STANDARDS PERFORMANCE  
FY 2008**

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Percent of Cases Completed within 290 Days	94%	96%	92%	88%	83%
Percent of Cases Completed within 365 Days	98%	98%	98%	95%	92%
Days Required to Complete 50% of the Cases	108	90	105	113	121
Days Required to Complete 75% of the Cases	175	152	196	214	256
Days Required to Complete 95% of the Cases	298	277	330	359	457
Average Number of Days from Notice of Appeal to Decision	125	109	127	140	161





**Civil Appeals Courtroom**

### **COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS**

The Court of Civil Appeals, composed of a presiding judge and four associate judges, was created by the Alabama Legislature in 1969. The Court has original appellate jurisdiction in all civil appeals where the amount in controversy does not exceed \$50,000; in all appeals from administrative agencies, other than the Alabama Public Service Commission; in all appeals in workers' compensation cases; and in all appeals in domestic relations cases, including annulment, divorce, adoption, and child custody. All decisions of the Court are made en banc. Each judge is required to review each case submitted to the Court.

For FY 2008, the Court of Civil Appeals reported a total caseload of 1,955 cases. This figure includes 1,236 new filings and 719 cases that, at the close of the previous term, were not ready for submission, were on rehearing, or were on review to the Supreme Court of Alabama.

The Court of Civil Appeals disposed of 1,162 cases. Of this number, 300 cases or 25.8% were decided with written opinions.

Case filings in FY 2008 increased by 2.91% from FY 2007. For the five-year period, FY 2004 through FY 2008, filings increased by 4.37%.

The total caseload of the court increased by 2.71% from the previous year. During FY 2008 the court disposed of 1,162 cases: 300 were decided with opinion; 333 were affirmed without opinion; and 23 were disposed before submission. The average time from notice of appeal to written opinion was 251 days, compared to 265 days for FY 2007.

Of the 633 cases disposed by opinion and summary affirmance, the Court affirmed the judgment of 63.6%; reversed the judgment in 15.2%; in 7.2% of the cases the judgment was affirmed in part and reversed in part, and 14% were disposed by dismissal or other reason.



**Alabama Court of Civil Appeals**

**Seated Left to Right:**

Judge Craig Sorrell Pittman  
 Presiding Judge William C. Thompson  
 Judge Tommy Bryan

**Standing Left to Right:**

Judge Terri Willingham Thomas  
 Judge Terry A. Moore

**Applications for Rehearing** - An application for rehearing is the method by which one, or both, of the parties request the court to reconsider its earlier decision in a case. Of the 656 cases that were disposed by submission and decision, 123 applications for rehearing were filed. Approximately 85.3% of the cases on rehearing had no change.

**Review by Supreme Court of Alabama** - The Supreme Court ruled on 188 petitions for certiorari from the Court of Civil Appeals during FY 2008. Approximately 94.1% of those decisions were upheld by the Supreme Court.

**COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS  
 CASES DOCKETED & DISPOSED  
 FY 2008**

<b>Cases Docketed</b>	<b># of Cases</b>
Cases Carried Forward From FY 2007 Term	719
New Cases	1,236
Total Cases Pending Before the Court	1,955
<b>Cases Disposed</b>	
Written Opinion	300
Without Written Opinion	862
Total Cases Disposed	1,162
Cases Carried Forward to FY 2008 Term	793

**COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS  
ANALYSIS OF DISPOSITIONS  
FY 2008**

<b>Types of Dispositions with Decisions</b>	<b># of Cases</b>	<b># of Cases Without Disposition</b>	<b>% of Total Decisions</b>
Affirmed	84	333	63.6%
Reversed	100	0	15.2%
Affirmed in Part/Reversed in Part	47	0	7.2%
Other	69	23	14.0%
Decisions	300	356	100.0%
<b>Total Decisions</b>			<b>656</b>

**Note: Decisions reflect both cases with opinion and affirmed without opinion. (Disposed)**

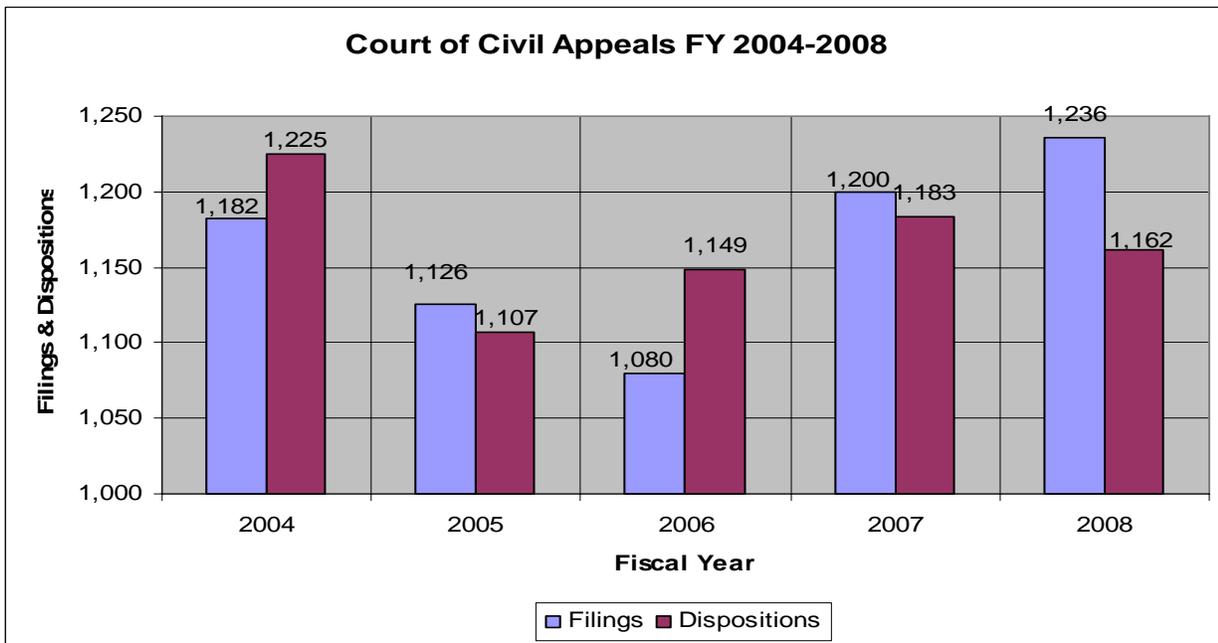
**Note: 97.1% submitted on brief; 2.9% orally argued. (Disposed)**

**COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS  
TYPES OF DISPOSITIONS (WITHOUT WRITTEN OPINIONS)  
FY 2008**

<b>Types of Dispositions without Opinions</b>	<b># of Cases</b>	<b>% of Other Decisions</b>
Dismissed on Motion of Appellant	137	15.9%
Dismissed for Failure to Prosecute	124	14.4%
Dismissed on Joint Motion/Agreement	43	5.0%
Dismissed on Motion of Appellee	15	1.7%
Other, i.e., Untimely Filing, Moot	115	13.3%
Transferred to Another Court for Lack of Jurisdiction	95	11.0%
Affirmed - No Opinion	333	38.6%
<b>Total Decisions</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS  
FILINGS & DISPOSITIONS  
FY 2008**

	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Percent Change 2004-2008	Percent Change 2007-2008
Cases from Prior Term	795	752	771	702	719	-9.6%	2.4%
New Filings	1,182	1,126	1,080	1,200	1,236	4.4%	2.9%
Total Case Load	1,977	1,878	1,851	1,902	1,955	-1.1%	2.7%
Cases Disposed	1,125	1,107	1,149	1,183	1,162	-5.1%	-1.8%
Cases Carried Over	752	771	702	719	793	5.2%	9.3%



## SUPREME COURT AND STATE LAW LIBRARY

The Alabama Supreme Court and State Law Library is the oldest law library in Alabama. Established in 1828 as the Library Society of the Bench and Bar of the Supreme Court, it was a private, nonprofit organization with the purpose of providing a library for the "exclusive use of the Bench and Bar of the Supreme Court of the State." In the late 1800's, when the law library became a state agency, it was Alabama's largest research library and continues that tradition today, serving the Alabama Supreme Court, the Courts of Criminal and Civil Appeals, and all citizens of Alabama.

The Law Library has approximately 235,000 volumes in its collection, making it the second largest law library in the State. The Library is also one of the oldest U.S. Government Depository libraries in the United States, having been designated a depository in 1884. Currently, the Law Library occupies approximately 38,000 square feet. It is a public law library, and its hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Law Library collection contains all of the reported decisions of the state and federal appellate courts in the United States, and the statutes of all 50 states and the District of Columbia, plus Acts of Congress, the United States Code, and the regulations of the various agencies of the U.S. Government. The Law Library's legal periodical collection is one of the best in the State with more than 1,000 titles, while its rare book collection is considered one of the finest in the Southeastern United States. Unique to the collection are the briefs of Alabama Supreme Court cases beginning in 1965, and the papers of the Alabama Judicial College.

Beyond the role of the traditional library, the Supreme Court and State Law Library continues to pursue a strategic plan to remain on the forefront of technology. To this end, the Law Library provides public access to Westlaw and Lexis, computer-assisted legal research services, to all users so that they have access to the most sophisticated legal research engines available. In this same way, the Law Library provides Westlaw and Lexis access to the entire judicial branch of government so that judges, clerks, and other judicial branch employees will have access to legal information at their fingertips. Additionally, the Law Library has its own computerized public access catalog known as Aladdin, which includes the online catalogs of the Jefferson County Public Law Library, the Montgomery County Public Law Library, and the Elbert Parsons Public Law Library in Huntsville. Aladdin can be accessed from the Law Library web site, [www.alalinc.net](http://www.alalinc.net).



The Law Library manages a state-of-the-art computer training lab equipped with workstations to accommodate an instructor and up to 18 students. The Law Library also maintains Alalinc, an information service providing access to electronic copies of Alabama's appellate court opinions as they are released. Opinions are fully searchable using an advanced search engine that allows users a large range of search capabilities.

The Law Library showcases the Heflin-Torbert Judicial Building and the history of the courts through a public education program which includes the museum exhibits, plus guided tours of the Judicial Building. In 2007, approximately 15,000 people, primarily 4th graders studying Alabama history and civics, visited the Judicial Building.

## The Administrative Office of Courts

The Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court is the chief administrative officer of the State's court system and is authorized to appoint an Administrative Director of Courts, and other personnel, to assist in the performance of administrative responsibilities. This constitutionally created administration overseeing Alabama's Unified Judiciary is called the Administrative Office of Courts (AOC).



Callie T. Dietz, Administrative Director of Courts

The Alabama Unified Judicial System is a state-funded court system consisting of the Supreme Court and two intermediate courts of appeal, the Court of Civil Appeals and the Court of Criminal Appeals. The system also includes the trial courts of general jurisdiction (the Circuit Courts) and the courts of limited jurisdiction (the District Courts, the Probate Courts, and the Municipal Courts).

The Administrative Office of Courts (AOC), under the direction of the Administrative Director of Courts, is charged with providing the centralized, state-level administrative support necessary to the operation of the State court system, which includes the development of improved procedures and systems to increase the operational capacity of the courts, the collection and dissemination of information necessary for the development of policy and the efficient operation of the courts. Alabama was one of the first states in the nation to have a unified state court system with uniform procedures and centralized administrative services. The Unified Judicial System of Alabama has been in existence since 1977.

The Administrative Office of Courts carries out its responsibilities through a network of specialized divisions. This necessary link within the court system successfully implements plans addressing the training, educational and developmental needs of officials and employees of the Unified Judicial System. These tasks are implemented in part by and through the Alabama Judicial College, along with the support of statewide technological expertise and implementation of the Court Services and Information Technology Division. The AOC also houses basic support departments such as Human Resources and Finance, but there exists more specialized departments such as the Family Court Division, the Legal Division, the Judicial Study Commission and the Public Information Office. The AOC is most specifically made up of talented individuals from many walks of life serving the needs of their fellow citizens.

### **Court Services and Information Technology Division**

The Court Services and IT (CS/IT) division provides the support necessary for the day-to-day business operations of the Unified Judicial System both in the trial courts and the Administrative Office of Courts. The CS/IT division aids in the enhancement of administrative functions using technology and coordinates with state agencies regarding sharing of services and information. The CS/IT division makes available public information to the criminal justice community, social and juvenile services and the public as a whole.

Additionally, this division offers on-line services to all 67 counties at all court sites, juvenile offices and pardon and parole offices. Finally, the CS/IT division maintains current UJS applications as well as new developments and upgrades.

The largest area of operation within the AOC is the Information Technology division which is responsible for the development and maintenance of automation within the UJS. The sections in this area include: Applications Programming, Information Technology (IT) Support, Information Technology Helpdesk, Mainframe, and Networking.

### **Applications Programming**

This section is responsible for the development and the maintenance of all automated systems supporting the information management needs of the Alabama Unified Judicial System (UJS). This section designs, develops, tests, implements and maintains the mainframe and server-based applications that comprise the Alabama Statewide Judicial Information System (SJIS).

Project management functions are provided to judicial system contractors and business partners. On a daily basis this section performs system analysis, develops product specifications, tests, approves and implements new systems, and serves as a mediator between user groups and contractors.

In 2008, there were approximately 1,000,000 E-filings in Alabama courts. These e-filings consisted of Complaints, Answers, Motions, Discovery, Subpoenas, and eOrders. Because of technology, there are currently more than 100,000,000 images stored and these images are being added to at the rate of 3,000,000 new images each month. Clearly, e-everything has arrived in Alabama, one of only three states to have statewide e-filing (Colorado and Delaware are the other two states).

One of the premiere case management applications in the nation can be found in Alabama. MIDAS (Model Integrated Defendant Access System) was developed for use by Alabama Court Referral Officers in 2003. The application allows users the opportunity to manage offenders from one application: court records, criminal and driving histories and case management functionality are available in one location.

In 2005, MIDAS was re-written with new functionality that allowed Drug Courts, District Attorneys, and Community Corrections Officers to utilize the application. In 2007, MIDAS was re-written for the third time. Pardons and Paroles (PnP) noticed the efficiency of MIDAS and decided to take the MIDAS application and modify it to meet their needs. PnP will call their version ISIS (Integrated Supervision Information System). Also in 2007, the Juvenile Probation Officers saw the impact MIDAS was making as a complete defendant case management tool and will soon release their version of MIDAS named JUPITIR (Juvenile Probation Intake Treatment Integrated Resource) in the summer of 2009.

### **Information Technology (IT) Support**

This section provides training and support of technology related projects. Typical project management duties include staffing a telephone support desk, training, video conferencing preparing narrative reports, preparing manuals, creating online tutorials, testing of applications and processing requirements for application development. IT Support serves as

the liaison between the users and the technical staff. Goals for 2009 include advancing regional video conferencing capabilities for UJS personnel.

**Applications Supported:** Alacourt • AlaFile • Alavault • Alapay • E-Appellate • DARRT • DA Desktop • E-Citation/V-Citation • E-Transcripts • DAIS • DART • DAWC • AOC Newsletter.

### **Mainframe**

The Mainframe section of the Administrative Office of Courts is responsible for the availability for the Statewide Judicial Information System (SJIS) which handles an average of 1,000,000 transactions per day. Among these responsibilities are making sure the online aspects of our system are available and operating at optimum performance, providing assistance to users concerning report output, maintaining Mainframe equipment at user sites and handling large volumes of mailed output.

The Mainframe system is constantly monitored to make sure there are no problems that could affect the SJIS users and others that require information from SJIS. The Mainframe section is responsible for the safety of SJIS data and provides for data integrity and timely backups of all data on a daily basis. The Mainframe section also insures that all Mainframe software is up-to-date and configured properly as well as providing technical support to other sections of the AOC.

The goal for 2009 is to develop a plan for migrating from the mainframe to a .net platform. This process is expected to take up to five years to complete.

### **Networking/IT Help Desk**

Information Technology (IT) Infrastructure management is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Alabama Unified Judicial System's network and servers, providing services to over 3,000+ users spread over 100+ locations utilizing server and networking resources located at the Alabama Judicial Building Data Center. Help desk personnel receive 1,000 calls for assistance each month.

**Responsible for engineering and managing:** Wired and Wireless connectivity (T1s, DSL, MetroE) • Firewalls, Virus, and Spam protection • Servers and Databases • Remote network access via VPN clients • 24/7 monitoring and problem resolution • Authentication and Authorization services through Active Directory • Point-to-Point data connections to outside agencies • Electronic Mail Services.

### **Accountability Courts**

The relationship between substance abuse, criminal activity, violence, increasing court caseloads, prison overcrowding, recidivism, death and injury are well documented. Costs associated with these problems are staggering in terms of financial hardship as well as human tragedy.

## **Drug Courts**

Chief Justice Cobb has pledged that the judiciary is able and willing to be a partner in remedying the enormous problem of prison overcrowding within the state. Model Drug Courts are one way of dealing with this problem. Drug Courts represent the coordinated efforts of the judiciary, prosecution, defense, probation, law enforcement, mental health, social services, and the treatment community to actively and forcefully intervene and break the cycle of substance abuse, addiction, and crime.



**Hon. Sheri Carver, District Judge, Cherokee County, speaks to attendees of a Drug Court Seminar**

Currently there are 43 Drug Courts existing in 42 counties within Alabama, with a goal of adding 5 additional Drug Courts by the end of 2009. On average, there are 2,220 active drug court participants each month in Alabama. Drug Courts are utilized as an alternative sentencing method to: (1) assist non-violent offenders, who have committed offenses while under the influence of alcohol or drugs to be given the opportunity to turn their lives around and (2) make the public safer while reducing the demand for prison space.

Chief Justice Cobb's goal is to have a Drug Court in every county by September 2009. By adding five in the near future to the current 43, the goal is well on the way to being accomplished.

## **Court Referral Officer and Education Programs**

The Court Referral Officer (CRO) Program began in 1985 as a pilot program to assist judges in early identification and placement of DUI offenders as one method of reducing the devastating problem of drunk driving. Since the implementation of the Mandatory Treatment Act of 1990, Court Referral Officers have provided services to defendants in a broader spectrum of cases related to alcohol and drug use or abuse. The CRO and Court Referral Education Programs are Alabama's legacy programs when dealing with alcohol and drug offenses.

Court Referral Officers (CROs) are a key ingredient in Alabama's comprehensive approach to the management of cases involving substance abuse or other related issues. Utilizing the Operational Screening Criteria as well as validated testing instruments, CROs provide a thorough evaluation and make appropriate recommendations for each defendant. This important information will ensure placement of each defendant in the most appropriate program to supplement traditional judicial sanctions.

Local Court Referral Programs were developed to assist defendants with alcohol and drug abuse-related offenses with education and/or treatment referral services and to be able to act as "resource brokers" within local communities. These programs have been designed to be used in conjunction with court orders and not as a replacement for judicial sanctions.

In FY 2008, 35,249 defendants were evaluated and referred for education or treatment. Of these defendants, 7,494 were placed in the Level I education program, 13,002 were placed in the Level II education programs and 9,630 were referred to Level III outpatient or inpatient treatment programs. There were more than 140,000 monitoring sessions conducted in 2008.

The AOC certifies and contracts with 29 agencies to provide alcohol and drug education programs and more than 100 CROs to evaluate defendants and provide monitoring sessions throughout the state. The Court Referral Program receives no General Fund money.

Many Community Corrections and Drug Court programs across Alabama include Court Referral Officers. This important meshing of these services has met with broad success.

**Below, Hon. Mike Bellamy(R), District Judge, Russell County, receives the Howell Heflin Award, presented by Deputy Director Martin Ramsay, at the Court Referral Annual In-Service**



**Above, Stacey Neeley (R), Executive Director of the Cherokee/DeKalb Court Referral Program, receives the CC “Bo” Torbert Award at the Annual In-Service**

## **Trial Courts**

The Trial Courts Section of the Court Services/IT Division serves trial courts through the SJIS Help Desk, the Traffic Call Center, the Income Tax Intercept Program and the Accounting/Bookkeeping Program.

In FY 2008, there were 1,078,614 filings and 1,086,126 dispositions in District Courts. In Circuit Courts, there were 224,430 filings and 222,361 dispositions.

The Traffic Call Center handled 136,020 calls and collected about \$20 million dollars in court fines and fees in FY 2008.

The Income Tax Intercept Program interacts with the public, as well as the trial courts, in providing information that streamlines the collection of court ordered monies and assists circuit clerk’s offices by diverting information inquiries to a central location. In FY 2008, \$2,474,099 dollars was recovered in delinquent court ordered monies through this section. This was an increase of more than \$900,000 over 2007.

The SJIS Help Desk and the Accounting/Bookkeeping Program provide technical assistance with the processes of the State Judicial Information System through training, manuals, inquiry’s and problem resolution.

## Education and Planning Division

### Alabama Judicial College

The Alabama Judicial College, a division of the Administrative Office of Courts, is charged with the implementation of a comprehensive plan that addresses the educational, developmental and training needs of members of the Unified Judicial System. Continuing education and training programs administered by the Alabama Judicial College recognize the career development needs of court officials and employees. The College develops and coordinates over 60 meetings on a yearly basis which include on-site and off-site conferences, regional trainings and seminars for officials and employees of the circuit, district and municipal courts. Since its inception the College has followed the *Conceptual Model* which emphasizes continuing judicial education for the proper administration of justice.



**Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb speaks to Judicial Assistants at their Winter Conference.**



**Judges in attendance at the Circuit and District Judges Annual Conference.**



**Graduates of the Municipal Magistrates Certification Program.**

The Alabama Judicial College staff work with each court association to develop agendas and training outlines. They also offer orientation programs for judges and clerks. The College coordinates monthly calendars of internal and external training opportunities, events, and meetings. They schedule classrooms and provide all logistical support for meetings in and out of the judicial building.

The Judicial College provides speakers from national and state speaker bureaus and procures grants for faculty skills training.

In FY 2008, the Judicial College hosted 18 multiple-day conferences which enrolled 1,900 court employees and officials. The College also had thirty in-house training/meetings which served over 1,400 court officials and employees. The largest group served in FY 2008 was the certification and/or re-certification of 655 Guardians Ad Litem. The second largest was the municipal court magistrate orientation program participants at 464.

In conclusion, the College awarded 38 Judicial Certificates to Circuit and District Judges for continuing education, as well as, nine Circuit Clerks in FY 2008.

## **Alabama Judicial System Study Commission**

The annual meeting of the Alabama Judicial System Study Commission was held in November 2008. The Study Commission has 45 members that represent the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches of government as well as the legal profession. The commission members elected to study four issues through selected sub-committees. The issues selected were:

1) Community Punishment Re-alignment – Problems exist due to the lack of consolidation of community supervision services (sometimes referred to as field services), such as court referral, probation and parole, and community corrections not being under the same department. It was recommended that the Judicial Study Commission, working with the Alabama Sentencing Commission establish a Task Force to study the realignment of responsibilities and duties of field services to include community corrections, court referral, drug courts, probation and parole and juvenile probation.

2) Revenue Resources - Concerns for funding of drug courts and other referral resources were expressed. The Commission recommends that Judge Pete Johnson and the Drug Court Task Force look into additional revenue avenues for drug courts and that a sub-committee of the Commission is formed to pursue possible revenue sources.

3) Courthouse Security – Issues were raised regarding courthouse security; funding of equipment and personnel and the responsible entity to fulfill the security demands in courthouses.

4) Judicial Selection Bills – A sub-committee was formed to look at the current judicial merit selections bills and to report any recommendations of change prior to submission to the legislature.

### **Topics carried over from FY 2008 for further study:**

- 1) Judicial Inquiry Commission (JIC) & Court of Judiciary
- 2) Oversight Committee for Circuit Clerks

### **Approved recommendations sent to Supreme Court for approval:**

- 1) Mandatory Judicial Education
- 2) Indigent Defense Commission

## **Family Court Division**

The Family Court Division provides services in seven different, but related areas for the state judicial system. The goal of this division is to provide a wide array of services to assist families coming into the court system in Alabama.

- Family Courts
- Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI)
- Juvenile Probation Services
- Access and Visitation Program

- Basic Court Improvement Program
- Judicial Volunteer Program
- Child Support

### **Family Courts**

The concept of a unified family court is to place cases dealing with juvenile and family law in one court in order to serve the families more effectively and efficiently.

### **Juvenile Justice Act of 2008**

Over the course of the past three years, the AOC staff has worked extensively with juvenile and family court judges, state agencies, and juvenile/family law professionals to revise the Alabama Code as it relates to juvenile and family court issues. The Bill to revise the Juvenile Code was finally passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor for implementation on January 1, 2009.

The Code revision will accomplish several objectives. Among these are:

- Reorganizes and reformats the existing Juvenile Code for easy reference (former Title 12 was disorganized and inconsistent as a result of years of *ad hoc* legislating on juvenile issues).
- Expressly defines and distinguishes the duties and responsibilities of juvenile intake officers and juvenile probation officers.
- Separates categories of juvenile, civil, and criminal cases in the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and provides for the procedures to be followed in each type of case.
- Revises Alabama's juvenile statutes to bring the provisions relating to the secure confinement of children in compliance with federal law to prevent the loss of federal dollars related to juvenile delinquency prevention.
- Brings provisions relating to children placed in foster care in compliance with federal law to prevent the loss of federal dollars to provide services for these children.
- Enables courts to keep non-dangerous children from entering the juvenile justice system by clarifying that the court should not accept a petition for filing unless the petition is in the best interests of the public and the children.
- Clearly defines the roles of children's (defense) attorneys and Guardians Ad Litem and provides basic minimum duties to be performed on behalf of children represented in the court.

### **Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI)**

The Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) is an initiative of the Annie E. Casey Foundation and is designed to support the Casey Foundation's vision that all youth involved in the juvenile justice system have opportunities to develop into healthy, productive adults.

After more than a decade of innovation and replication, JDAI is one of the nation's most effective, influential, and widespread juvenile justice system reform initiatives. JDAI focuses on the juvenile detention component of the juvenile justice system because youth are often unnecessarily or inappropriately detained at great expense, with long-lasting negative consequences for both public safety and youth development.

JDAI began in Alabama with visits to four sites in the summer of 2007. The sites visited were Mobile, Montgomery, Tuscaloosa and Birmingham. After the initial site visits, all four sites were chosen to participate in the JDAI project. The Annie E. Casey Foundation then awarded the state, through the AOC, a grant of \$150,000 to begin the project. Those funds were distributed to the four selected counties to help offset costs incurred in commencing the detention alternatives reform efforts. Through the efforts of Chief Justice Sue Bell Cobb, the AOC was able to attain an equal amount from the Governor's office for the first year, as a match to the Casey grant. The grant is scheduled to last three years.

In 2008 JDAI sites experienced dramatic drops in the average daily population of children in secure confinement, with some sites experiencing 40% reductions. The JDAI experience has filtered throughout the state, as evidenced by the 42% drop in the average daily population of children in the custody of the Department of Youth Services.

### **Juvenile Probation Services**

This division manages the State Juvenile Probation Officer Program including the establishment of statewide guidelines, certification and training standards. There are 223 juvenile probation officers and 44 juvenile support personnel employed by the Unified Judicial System. Additionally, this program provides juvenile probation salary subsidies to the five counties in which juvenile probation officers are county employees.



**Bill Loveless, Chief JPO in Lauderdale County and President of the JPO Association, along with Hon. James H. Sandlin, Family Court Judge in the 11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, receive an award from Chief Justice Cobb at the annual JPO Juvenile Judge Conference.**

### **Access and Visitation Program**

The AOC, through the Family Court Division, administers the federally-funded Access and Visitation Grant Program, the goal of which is to develop programs and services to improve noncustodial parents' access to and visitation with their children.

### **Basic Court Improvement Program**

The Basic CIP grant is a federally-funded program that has been administered by the AOC since FY 1995. The goal of the grant is to streamline juvenile court procedures and processes so that children adjudicated dependent may be placed in safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible.

## **The Judicial Volunteer Program**

By Order of the Supreme Court of Alabama dated January 19, 2000, effective March 1, 2000, Rule 42, Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration, was adopted allowing the use of a Judicial Volunteer Program in those circuit or district courts choosing to do so. Carefully screened, interviewed, and trained citizen-volunteers are utilized in appropriate programs to assist in the court process. There are currently 10 Judicial Volunteer Programs around the State. Most programs have a Judicial Volunteer Program Coordinator who oversees these Programs.

One aspect of the Judicial Volunteer Program is the Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC). JCCs are authorized pursuant to Rule 15.1, Alabama Rules of Juvenile Procedure. Through the use of JCCs, a large percentage of petitions filed in Juvenile Court can be diverted and disposed of expeditiously. The Juvenile Court can then devote more time to dealing with the serious and the repeat juvenile offenders. During 2008, approximately 225 volunteers were trained for use on JCC panels. Of these, more than 50 were new volunteers who were trained in Madison County to restart the program there.

Another aspect of the Judicial Volunteer Program is district court mediation in which trained volunteers are used as mediators in specific cases in district court, mostly small claims cases. During the last year, 35 volunteers served as mediators contributing more than 500 hours of service. These volunteers mediated 277 with a settlement rate of 60%.

## **Child Support**

The Alabama Central Disbursement Division (ACDD) is a division that was established as a result of federal and state law, known as the Welfare Reform Act of 1996. This law required a single location in each state where employers could send wage withheld child support payments to be processed. In FY 2008, \$165,811,016.91 was collected and disbursed.

Non IV-D payments (or wage withheld payments processed through the clerk's office and not processed through the Department of Human Resources) will be receipted at a central location and will be disbursed by the Alabama Central Disbursement Division. Payments are receipted one day and the payment disbursed and mailed to the recipient the next day. Inquiries about child support are handled by the ACDD. The ACDD does not establish, support or enforce child support orders and does not maintain court files or answer questions about cases.

## **Finance Division**

The Finance Division, under the leadership of the Finance Director is comprised of two sections, Budgeting & Accounting and Purchasing & Property. The Finance Division provides technical financial assistance to the trial courts, and serves as a liaison with the appellate courts regarding fiscal matters.

## **Budget and Accounting**

This section is responsible for annual budgets, operating plans, revenue systems and juror payment systems. Grants awarded to the Administrative Office of Courts and trust accounts are administered by the grants accountant and the various project managers in accordance with the appropriate policies and procedures. This section is also primarily responsible for the execution of routine accounts payable and accounts receivable transactions. Expenditure vouchers are electronically prepared to include payment for routine office supplies and equipment, travel vouchers, county expense claims and agreements, utilities, professional services contracts, building management costs, and personnel benefit costs. In FY 2008, 1,786 jury trials were reported at an expense of \$1,533,590. This is a 5.6% decrease from the previous year (table 4). Jury costs per trial were \$859, a 6.8% decrease from FY 2007.

## **Purchasing and Property Management**

This section is responsible for the automated processing of requests for supplies, forms, equipment, publications, postage and postal equipment, repairs, maintenance of equipment, office equipment rentals, leases, education conference registration, vehicle maintenance and varied services in accordance with State and local procurement procedures for UJS offices statewide.

During FY 2008, the cost of procurement actions for general repairs and restorations was \$714,894; annual contracts to include rentals and leases costs were \$1,299,201; supplies including general commodities, computer supplies and equipment, costs were \$4,430,800; and equipment purchases to include furniture, computers, printers, costs were \$1,462,591.

## **Human Resources Division**

The Human Resources Division of the Administrative Office of Courts provides a full range of human resources services to the judicial branch of government and the general public. Direct support is provided to approximately 2,422 Unified Judicial System (UJS) officials and employees. As of December 2008, included are 93 appellate judges and employees, 2,206 trial court officials and employees, six Judicial Sentencing Commission employees, and 117 Administrative Office of Courts (AOC) Staff.



**Human Resources Director Mittie Chappell,  
discusses personnel issues at the  
Circuit Clerks Winter Conference.**

## **Personnel Operations**

The personnel operations section of this division processes all personnel actions. In FY 2008, more than 6,266 separate actions were processed manually, including appointments, separations, promotions, leave without pay, reclassifications; three and six-month probationary paperwork, annual probationary raises, and longevity bonuses, as well as, other miscellaneous actions such as tax, address, and name changes. The operations section

maintains all employee personnel records and position control for the offices of more than 340 appointing authorities, using an automated information system and periodic reports. This section also audits all UJS payrolls and certifies state service for the annual longevity bonus.

### **Payroll**

The payroll section of Human Resources process daily data entry, timesheets, one-time pays, supplemental pay, restitution checks weekly, mail outs of payroll warrants, tracks payroll warrants, Title IV information, duplicate/cancelled warrants, county supplement, FICA cut offs, W-2 requests throughout the year, court referral officer transactions, JPO fund updates, insurance reimbursement for separated/terminated/retired employees, longevity bonuses, deferred compensation (PEBSCO/Nationwide, RSA-1, United Way), funding source/organization code changes, unemployment compensation, insurance billing, direct deposits, employment verifications, retirement contributions and miscellaneous deduction.

### **Fringe Benefits**

The Human Resources Division is responsible for monitoring a leave program (HRDesktop) for approximately 1,841 leave-earning employees and AOC staff. Because leave represents a potential debt of the UJS, the Human Resources Division audits leave accounts annually. In calendar year 2008, the AOC and trial courts total leave liability exceeded \$14,599,980.

### **Testing and Recruitment**

For FY 2009, 1,071 applicants took the written court specialist examinations in nine test sites around the state. In addition to maintaining the open and promotional court specialist registers, the division issued numerous special job announcements for positions at the AOC, trial courts, and in the appellate courts.

### **Equal Employment Opportunity**

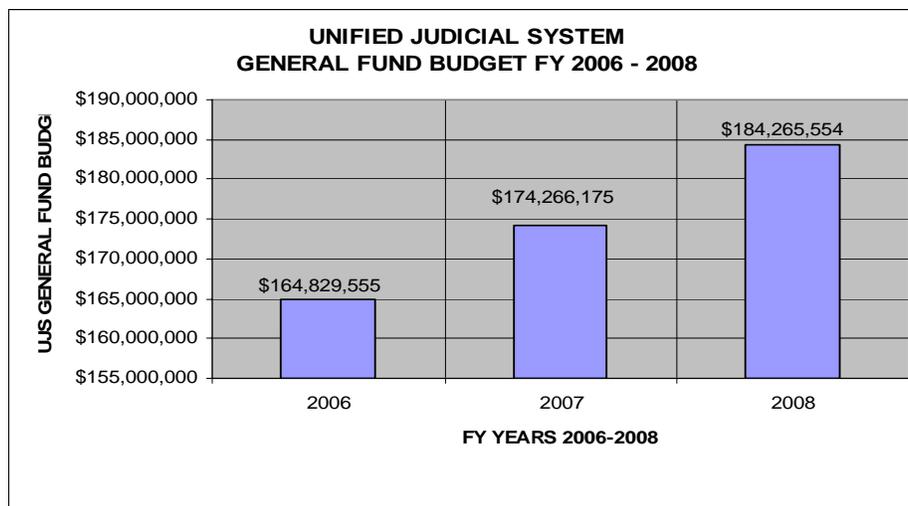
As of January 1, 2008, there were 403 minorities employed in the UJS. This includes 32 elected officials, as well as, 16 appellate, 318 trial court, and 37 AOC employees. This is 16.9 percent of the total Unified Judicial System work force. The Human Resources Director is also the EEOC Officer for the UJS.

### **Legal Division**

The Legal Division provides the Chief Justice, the Administrative Director of Courts, the state's circuit and district judges, the circuit clerks and the AOC division directors with advice and assistance regarding legal issues that arise in the performance of their respective duties and in the operation and administration of the Unified Judicial System in general. Upon request, the staff attorneys provide legal research and legal opinions to judges and other court officials, as well as provide updates on changes in statutory and case law, court rules, court manuals and approved UJS forms. The Legal Division also assists with case and jury management issues as well as assistance to other AOC divisions and the Judicial College in providing instruction, training and education to court officials and their staffs at periodic training sessions, educational seminars and the semi-annual conferences.

**Unified Judicial System  
FY 2008-2009 Budget  
(with 3.5% COLA Increase)**

	FY 2006- 2007	FY 2007- 2008	FY 2008- 2009	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
	Expenditures	Expenditures	Budget		
<b>UJS General Fund:</b>					
Unified Judicial System	\$146,703,897	\$155,856,846	\$163,305,018	\$7,448,172	4.78
Supreme Court	8,485,874	8,682,718	9,979,616	1,296,898	14.94
Court of Criminal Appeals	4,093,381	4,160,741	4,705,543	544,802	13.09
Court of Civil Appeals	3,552,088	3,560,609	3,992,505	431,896	12.13
Supreme Court Law Library	1,527,904	1,549,138	1,522,131	(27,007)	(1.74)
Judicial Inquiry Commission	466,411	456,123	760,741	304,618	66.78
<b>Total UJS General Fund</b>	<b>\$164,829,555</b>	<b>\$174,266,175</b>	<b>\$184,265,554</b>	<b>\$9,999,379</b>	<b>5.74</b>
<b>Grants and Trust Funds:</b>					
Advanced Tech. and Data Ex. Fd.	\$3,922,257	\$5,835,519	\$5,473,454	(\$362,065)	(6.20)
Departmental Emergency Fund	\$1,115,200	75,000	0	(75,000)	.....
Mandatory Treatment Program	3,421,675	4,034,967	4,529,211	494,244	12.25
Juvenile Prob. Serv. Fd. - Tobacco	5,354,431	5,892,493	6,107,927	215,434	3.66
Capital Improvement Trust Fund	3,975,000	0	171,663	171,663	.....
Juvenile Prob. Serv. Fd. - County	0	436,658	0	(436,658)	.....
Court Automation	3,353,764	2,708,671	2,883,878	175,207	6.47
Federal & Local Funds 931	7,375,149	4,351,334	6,829,802	2,478,468	56.96
<b>Total Grants and Trust Funds</b>	<b>\$28,517,476</b>	<b>\$23,334,642</b>	<b>\$25,995,935</b>	<b>\$2,661,293</b>	<b>11.40</b>
<b>Grand Total of All Funds</b>	<b>\$193,347,031</b>	<b>\$197,600,817</b>	<b>\$210,261,489</b>	<b>\$4,253,786</b>	<b>2.15</b>



## Judicial Inquiry Commission

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The Judicial Inquiry Commission has nine members. The Supreme Court appoints one appellate judge. The Circuit Judges' Association appoints two circuit judges. The Lieutenant Governor appoints one district judge who is subject to Senate confirmation. Two attorneys are appointed by the Board of Bar Commissioners. Three non-lawyer citizens are appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation. Commission members are appointed for terms of four years.



The Judicial Inquiry Commission considers and investigates complaints of misconduct made against judges of the State Judicial System. It has authority to receive and initiate its own complaints, conduct investigations, and file and prosecute complaints in the Court of the Judiciary. These complaints charge violations of the Alabama Canons of Judicial Ethics, misconduct in office, or failure to perform judicial duties. The Commission also renders advisory opinions to judges if needed.

## Court of the Judiciary

The Court of the Judiciary is a nine-member body that hears complaints filed by the Judicial Inquiry Commission. The Court is composed of one judge from an appellate court, other than the Supreme Court of Alabama, who shall be selected by the Supreme Court of Alabama and shall serve as Chief Judge of the Court of the Judiciary. The Court also includes two judges from the circuit courts, who shall be selected by the Circuit Judges' Association; one district judge who shall be selected by the District Judges' Association; two members of the State Bar who shall be selected by the governing body of the Alabama State Bar; two persons who are not lawyers who shall be appointed by the Governor; and one person appointed by the Lieutenant Governor. Members appointed by the Governor and Lieutenant Governor shall be subject to Senate confirmation before serving.

The Court has the authority to enter the following sanctions for a violation of a Canon of Judicial Ethics: removal from office, suspension with or without pay, censure, retirement of a judge or such other sanctions as may be prescribed by law.

Decisions of the Court of the Judiciary may be appealed to the Supreme Court of Alabama, which reviews the record of proceedings on the law and the facts. The Supreme Court of Alabama adopts rules governing the procedures of the Court of the Judiciary.

Counsel for the prosecution of cases before the Court of the Judiciary is provided by the State Attorney General's Office. The Clerk of the Court of Civil Appeals serves as secretary of the Court of the Judiciary.

There was one complaint filed with the Court of the Judiciary by the Judicial Inquiry Commission during FY 2008.

### Court of the Judiciary Members

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## **Circuit, District, Municipal & Probate Courts**

The Alabama Constitution, in addition to providing for the appellate courts of the State, provides for a trial court of general jurisdiction known as the Circuit Court; a trial court of limited jurisdiction known as the District Court; a Probate Court and such Municipal Courts as may be provided by law.

The State of Alabama is divided into 41 judicial circuits, numbered and composed of counties. Jury trials within the State of Alabama occur at the circuit court level.

There is an office of the circuit clerk in each of the 67 counties and one in the Bessemer Division of Jefferson County. The duties of the circuit clerks include the filing, processing and maintenance of all court records. The circuit clerk is responsible for the same duties as they apply to the district court when there is no clerk appointed to that office. There is currently only one district clerk in the State of Alabama.

Sessions of the district court are required to be held in each county seat. Although the district court is considered to be a “court of record,” transcripts or reports of the proceedings of this Court are not required by law. All cases are tried without a jury.

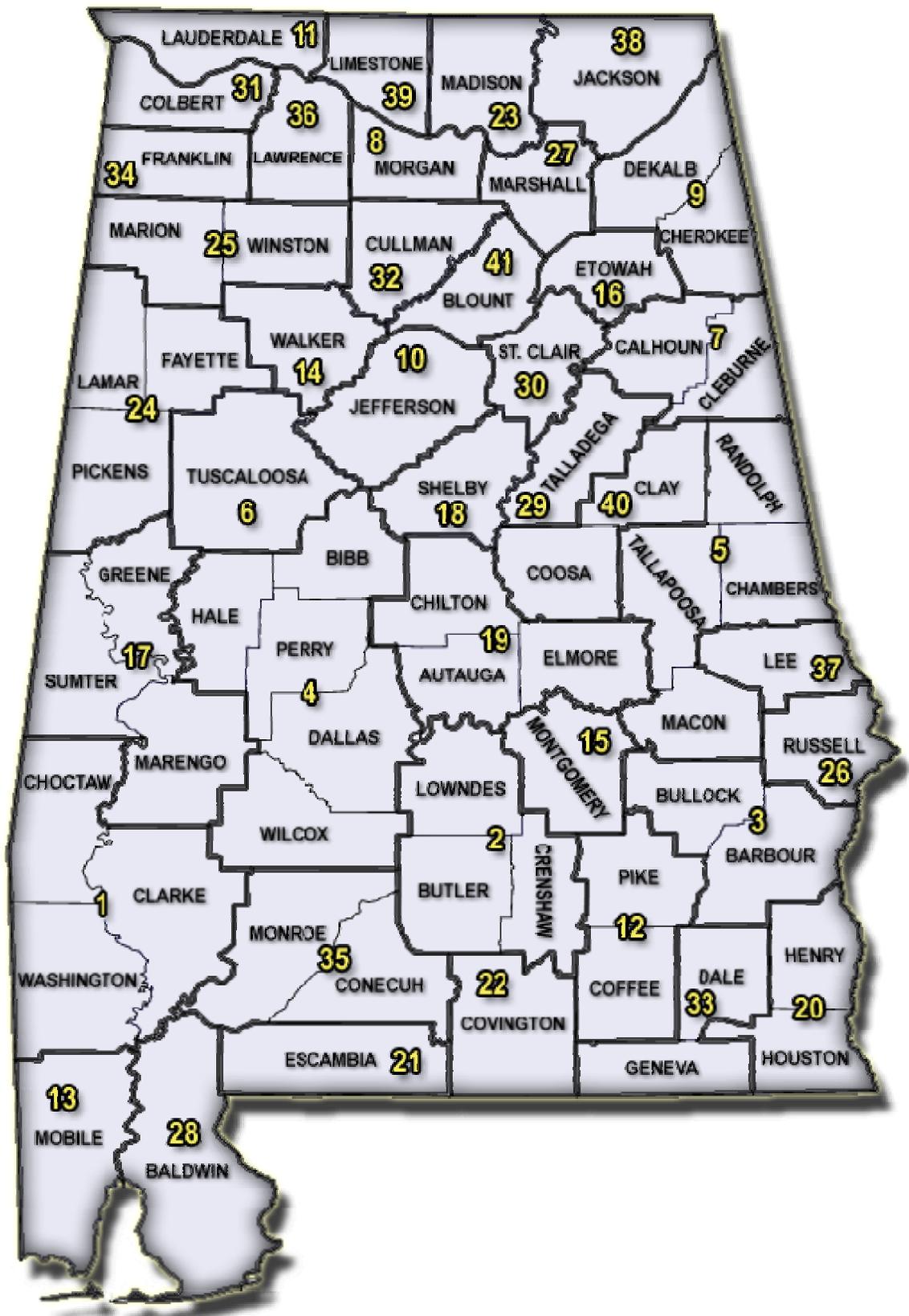
Any given municipality of the State of Alabama, if it elects to do so, holds its own court proceedings according to the limitations provided by law. If the municipal court is abolished by that governing body, jurisdiction is transferred to the appropriate district court.

The probate courts in each county of the State have original and general jurisdictions over very specific matters delineated by statute. While constitutionally a part of the Alabama Judicial System, the probate courts are not included in the system’s budget and are administered locally by the respective probate judge. Funding is generated through the county governments or through fees generated in probate court.



**Chief Justice Cobb presents the “State of the Judiciary” to Alabama Legislators**

ALABAMA JUDICIAL CIRCUITS



## Table 1: Circuit Court Caseload Statistics, Fiscal Years 2007 - 2008

Circuit	County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change		Cases Disposed		Change	
					2007-2008				2007-2008	
			2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
1ST	Choctaw	<b>Criminal</b>	142	210	68	48%	135	140	5	4%
		Felony	93	121	28	30%	86	80	-6	-7%
		Other	49	89	40	82%	49	60	11	22%
		<b>Civil</b>	158	156	-2	-1%	161	139	-22	-14%
		<b>Domestic</b>	137	106	-31	-23%	118	94	-24	-20%
		Orig	90	72	-18	-20%	75	57	-18	-24%
		Mod	47	34	-13	-28%	43	37	-6	-14%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>-41</b>	<b>-10%</b>
	Clarke	<b>Criminal</b>	723	790	67	9%	508	729	221	44%
		Felony	397	447	50	13%	282	440	158	56%
		Other	326	343	17	5%	226	289	63	28%
		<b>Civil</b>	309	305	-4	-1%	279	282	3	1%
		<b>Domestic</b>	247	217	-30	-12%	235	247	12	5%
		Orig	147	132	-15	-10%	121	142	21	17%
		Mod	100	85	-15	-15%	114	105	-9	-8%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>1,313</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>1,259</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>23%</b>
	Washington	<b>Criminal</b>	305	382	77	25%	259	295	36	14%
		Felony	125	183	58	46%	95	145	50	53%
		Other	180	199	19	11%	164	150	-14	-9%
		<b>Civil</b>	168	186	18	11%	128	166	38	30%
		<b>Domestic</b>	214	263	49	23%	197	214	17	9%
		Orig	127	138	11	9%	123	105	-18	-15%
		Mod	87	125	38	44%	74	109	35	47%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>675</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>16%</b>
1st Circuit	<b>Criminal</b>	1,170	1,382	212	18%	902	1,164	262	29%	
Combined	<b>Felony</b>	615	751	136	22%	463	665	202	44%	
Totals	Other	555	631	76	14%	439	499	60	14%	
	Civil	635	647	12	2%	568	587	19	3%	
	<b>Domestic</b>	598	586	-12	-2%	550	555	5	1%	
	Orig	364	342	-22	-6%	319	304	-15	-5%	
	Mod	234	244	10	4%	231	251	20	9%	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2,403</b>	<b>2,616</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>2,020</b>	<b>2,307</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>14%</b>	
2ND	Butler	<b>Criminal</b>	318	407	89	28%	336	369	33	10%
		Felony	154	264	110	71%	185	209	24	13%
		Other	164	143	-21	-13%	151	160	9	6%
		<b>Civil</b>	196	189	-7	-4%	197	210	13	7%
		<b>Domestic</b>	181	192	11	6%	201	138	-63	-31%
		Orig	102	129	27	26%	122	94	-28	-23%
		Mod	79	63	-16	-20%	79	44	-35	-44%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>717</b>	<b>-17</b>	<b>-2%</b>
	Crenshaw	<b>Criminal</b>	181	127	-54	-30%	231	174	-57	-25%
		Felony	77	56	-21	-27%	96	79	-17	-18%
		Other	104	71	-33	-32%	135	95	-40	-30%
		<b>Civil</b>	118	114	-4	-3%	132	123	-9	-7%
		<b>Domestic</b>	188	214	26	14%	178	197	19	11%
		Orig	134	151	17	13%	128	143	15	12%
		Mod	54	63	9	17%	50	54	4	8%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>-32</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>-9%</b>		

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
	Lowndes	Criminal	154	210	56	36%	292	214	-78	-27%
		Felony	60	126	66	110%	160	122	-38	-24%
		Other	94	84	-10	-11%	132	92	-40	-30%
		Civil	103	120	17	17%	122	137	15	12%
		Domestic	89	71	-18	-20%	93	66	-27	-29%
		Orig	61	49	-12	-20%	61	50	-11	-18%
		Mod	28	22	-6	-21%	32	16	-16	-50%
		Juvenile	2	0	-2	-100%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	348	401	53	15%	507	417	-90	-18%
	2nd Circuit	Criminal	653	744	91	14%	859	757	-102	-12%
	Combined	Felony	291	446	155	53%	441	410	-31	-7%
	Totals	Other	362	298	-64	-18%	418	347	-71	-17%
		Civil	417	423	6	1%	451	470	19	4%
		Domestic	458	477	19	4%	472	401	-71	-15%
		Orig	297	329	32	11%	311	287	-24	-8%
		Mod	161	148	-13	-8%	161	114	-47	-29%
		Juvenile	2	0	-2	-100%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	1,530	1,644	114	7%	1,782	1,628	-154	-9%
3RD	Barbour -	Criminal	102	150	48	47%	107	143	36	34%
	Clayton	Felony	54	77	23	43%	61	77	16	26%
		Other	48	73	25	52%	46	66	20	43%
		Civil	75	84	9	12%	80	86	6	8%
		Domestic	76	48	-28	-37%	130	57	-73	-56%
		Orig	45	43	-2	-4%	70	45	-25	-36%
		Mod	31	5	-26	-84%	60	12	-48	-80%
		Total	253	282	29	11%	317	286	-31	-10%
	Barbour -	Criminal	253	403	150	59%	283	369	86	30%
	Eufaula	Felony	177	266	89	50%	200	251	51	26%
		Other	76	137	61	80%	83	118	35	42%
		Civil	155	175	20	13%	188	143	-45	-24%
		Domestic	179	169	-10	-6%	213	906	693	325%
		Orig	131	152	21	16%	155	882	727	469%
		Mod	48	17	-31	-65%	58	24	-34	-59%
		Total	587	747	160	27%	684	1,418	734	107%
	Barbour	Criminal	355	553	198	56%	390	512	122	31%
		Felony	231	343	112	48%	261	328	67	26%
		Other	124	210	86	69%	129	184	55	43%
		Civil	230	259	29	13%	268	229	-39	-15%
		Domestic	255	217	-38	-15%	343	963	620	181%
		Orig	176	195	19	11%	225	927	702	312%
		Mod	79	22	-57	-72%	118	36	-82	-69%
		Total	840	1,029	189	23%	1,001	1,704	703	70%
	Bullock	Criminal	184	163	-21	-11%	187	170	-17	-9%
		Felony	109	97	-12	-11%	117	102	-15	-13%
		Other	75	66	-9	-12%	70	68	-2	-3%
		Civil	132	153	21	16%	125	127	2	2%
		Domestic	22	23	1	5%	15	24	9	60%
		Orig	18	18	0	0%	11	22	11	100%
		Mod	4	5	1	25%	4	2	-2	-50%
		Total	338	339	1	0%	327	321	-6	-2%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
	<b>3rd Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	539	716	177	33%	577	682	105	18%
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	340	440	100	29%	378	430	52	14%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	199	276	77	39%	199	252	53	27%
		<b>Civil</b>	362	412	50	14%	393	356	-37	-9%
		<b>Domestic</b>	277	240	-37	-13%	358	987	629	176%
		Orig	194	213	19	10%	236	949	713	302%
		Mod	83	27	-56	-67%	122	38	-84	-69%
		<b>Total</b>	1,178	1,368	190	16%	1,328	2,025	697	52%
<b>4TH</b>	<b>Bibb</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	272	271	-1	0%	243	277	34	14%
		Felony	165	143	-22	-13%	162	151	-11	-7%
		Other	107	128	21	20%	81	126	45	56%
		<b>Civil</b>	170	227	57	34%	204	253	49	24%
		<b>Domestic</b>	257	269	12	5%	233	284	51	22%
		Orig	175	189	14	8%	155	198	43	28%
		Mod	82	80	-2	-2%	78	86	8	10%
		<b>Total</b>	699	767	68	10%	680	814	134	20%
	<b>Dallas</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	778	721	-57	-7%	826	682	-144	-17%
		Felony	452	428	-24	-5%	468	385	-83	-18%
		Other	326	293	-33	-10%	358	297	-61	-17%
		<b>Civil</b>	436	450	14	3%	425	553	128	30%
		<b>Domestic</b>	333	366	33	10%	298	415	117	39%
		Orig	246	254	8	3%	205	309	104	51%
		Mod	87	112	25	29%	93	106	13	14%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	0	16	16		0	18	18	
		<b>Total</b>	1,547	1,553	6	0%	1,549	1,668	119	8%
	<b>Hale</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	129	132	3	2%	74	123	49	66%
		Felony	98	102	4	4%	52	89	37	71%
		Other	31	30	-1	-3%	22	34	12	55%
		<b>Civil</b>	147	188	41	28%	159	184	25	16%
		<b>Domestic</b>	83	71	-12	-14%	67	113	46	69%
		Orig	77	62	-15	-19%	62	99	37	60%
		Mod	6	9	3	50%	5	14	9	180%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	359	391	32	9%	300	420	120	40%
	<b>Perry</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	103	111	8	8%	103	105	2	2%
		<b>Felony</b>	51	56	5	10%	63	39	-24	-38%
		<b>Other</b>	52	55	3	6%	40	66	26	65%
		<b>Civil</b>	121	104	-17	-14%	126	117	-9	-7%
		<b>Domestic</b>	49	61	12	24%	57	63	6	11%
		Orig	25	41	16	64%	30	33	3	10%
		<b>Mod</b>	24	20	-4	-17%	27	30	3	11%
		<b>Total</b>	273	276	3	1%	286	285	-1	0%
	<b>Wilcox</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	101	66	-35	-35%	90	92	2	2%
		Felony	65	47	-18	-28%	67	63	-4	-6%
		Other	36	19	-17	-47%	23	29	6	26%
		<b>Civil</b>	151	137	-14	-9%	165	165	0	0%
		<b>Domestic</b>	67	65	-2	-3%	55	58	3	5%
		Orig	49	41	-8	-16%	44	40	-4	-9%
		<b>Mod</b>	18	24	6	33%	11	18	7	64%
		<b>Total</b>	319	268	-51	-16%	310	315	5	2%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
	4th Circuit	Criminal	1,383	1,301	-82	-6%	1,336	1,279	-57	-4%
	Combined	Felony	831	776	-55	-7%	812	727	-85	-10%
	Totals	Other	552	525	-27	-5%	524	552	28	5%
		Civil	1,025	1,106	81	8%	1,079	1,272	193	18%
		Domestic	789	832	43	5%	710	933	223	31%
		Orig	572	587	15	3%	496	679	183	37%
		Mod	217	245	28	13%	214	254	40	19%
		Juvenile	0	16	16		0	18	18	
		Total	3,197	3,255	58	2%	3,125	3,502	377	12%
5TH	Chambers	Criminal	569	564	-5	-1%	616	614	-2	0%
		Felony	353	353	0	0%	403	386	-17	-4%
		Other	216	211	-5	-2%	213	228	15	7%
		Civil	366	399	33	9%	299	328	29	10%
		Domestic	359	337	-22	-6%	353	307	-46	-13%
		Orig	232	216	-16	-7%	231	203	-28	-12%
		Mod	127	121	-6	-5%	122	104	-18	-15%
		Juvenile	1	2	1	100%	0	6	6	600%
		Total	1,295	1,302	7	1%	1,268	1,255	-13	-1%
	Macon	Criminal	168	164	-4	-2%	157	138	-19	-12%
		Felony	126	133	7	6%	120	106	-14	-12%
		Other	42	31	-11	-26%	37	32	-5	-14%
		Civil	251	221	-30	-12%	205	168	-37	-18%
		Domestic	140	117	-23	-16%	204	102	-102	-50%
		Orig	99	88	-11	-11%	127	74	-53	-42%
		Mod	41	29	-12	-29%	77	28	-49	-64%
		Total	559	502	-57	-10%	566	408	-158	-28%
	Randolph	Criminal	261	280	19	7%	276	302	26	9%
		Felony	124	158	34	27%	151	179	28	19%
		Other	137	122	-15	-11%	125	123	-2	-2%
		Civil	186	190	4	2%	177	188	11	6%
		Domestic	226	225	-1	0%	211	236	25	12%
		Orig	160	168	8	5%	145	180	35	24%
		Mod	66	57	-9	-14%	66	56	-10	-15%
		Total	673	695	22	3%	664	726	62	9%
	Tallapoosa -	Criminal	373	578	205	55%	387	584	197	51%
	Alex City	Felony	205	297	92	45%	231	328	97	42%
		Other	168	281	113	67%	156	256	100	64%
		Civil	273	274	1	0%	247	225	-22	-9%
		Domestic	234	257	23	10%	235	226	-9	-4%
		Orig	147	182	35	24%	140	150	10	7%
		Mod	87	75	-12	-14%	95	76	-19	-20%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		Total	881	1,109	228	26%	870	1,035	165	19%
	Tallapoosa -	Criminal	318	299	-19	-6%	294	409	115	39%
	Dadeville	Felony	191	183	-8	-4%	188	265	77	41%
		Other	127	116	-11	-9%	106	144	38	36%
		Civil	146	216	70	48%	153	149	-4	-3%
		Domestic	235	207	-28	-12%	196	188	-8	-4%
		Orig	127	123	-4	-3%	108	111	3	3%
		Mod	108	84	-24	-22%	88	77	-11	-13%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	699	722	23	3%	643	746	103	16%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
	Tallapoosa	Criminal	691	877	186	27%	681	993	312	46%
		Felony	396	480	84	21%	419	593	174	42%
		Other	295	397	102	35%	262	400	138	53%
		Civil	419	490	71	17%	400	374	-26	-7%
		Domestic	469	464	-5	-1%	431	414	-17	-4%
		Orig	274	305	31	11%	248	261	13	5%
		Mod	195	159	-36	-18%	183	153	-30	-16%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		Total	1,580	1,831	251	16%	1,513	1,781	268	18%
	5th Circuit	Criminal	1,689	1,885	196	12%	1,730	2,047	317	18%
	Combined	Felony	999	1,124	125	13%	1,093	1,264	171	16%
	Totals	Other	690	761	71	10%	637	783	146	23%
		Civil	1,222	1,300	78	6%	1,081	1,058	-23	-2%
		Domestic	1,194	1,143	-51	-4%	1,199	1,059	-140	-12%
		Orig	765	777	12	2%	751	718	-33	-4%
		Mod	429	366	-63	-15%	448	341	-107	-24%
		Juvenile	2	2	0	0%	1	6	5	500%
		Total	4,107	4,330	223	5%	4,011	4,170	159	4%
6TH	Tuscaloosa	Criminal	4,327	3,663	-664	-15%	3,918	4,426	508	13%
		Felony	2,823	2,136	-687	-24%	2,432	3,020	588	24%
		Other	1,504	1,527	23	2%	1,486	1,406	-80	-5%
		Civil	1,913	2,066	153	8%	1,795	1,755	-40	-2%
		Domestic	1,802	1,723	-79	-4%	1,669	1,822	153	9%
		Orig	1,304	1,257	-47	-4%	1,204	1,354	150	12%
		Mod	498	466	-32	-6%	465	468	3	1%
		Juvenile	2,520	2,436	-84	-3%	2,187	2,214	27	1%
		Child Support	1,243	1,196	-47	-4%	1,179	1,209	30	3%
		Total	11,805	11,084	-721	-6%	10,748	11,426	678	6%
7TH	Calhoun	Criminal	2,604	2,764	160	6%	2,712	2,523	-189	-7%
		Felony	1,488	1,666	178	12%	1,614	1,523	-91	-6%
		Other	1,116	1,098	-18	-2%	1,098	1,000	-98	-9%
		Civil	924	1,048	124	13%	958	933	-25	-3%
		Domestic	1,671	1,515	-156	-9%	1,665	1,529	-136	-8%
		Orig	1,255	1,152	-103	-8%	1,243	1,177	-66	-5%
		Mod	416	363	-53	-13%	422	352	-70	-17%
		Juvenile	1,350	1,265	-85	-6%	1,360	1,319	-41	-3%
		Child Support	1,160	1,077	-83	-7%	1,157	1,012	-145	-13%
		Total	7,709	7,669	-40	-1%	7,852	7,316	-536	-7%
	Cleburne	Criminal	427	467	40	9%	504	280	-224	-44%
		Felony	206	221	15	7%	218	155	-63	-29%
		Other	221	246	25	11%	286	125	-161	-56%
		Civil	81	82	1	1%	66	68	2	3%
		Domestic	268	286	18	7%	260	256	-4	-2%
		Orig	125	174	49	39%	118	146	28	24%
		Mod	143	112	-31	-22%	142	110	-32	-23%
		Total	776	835	59	8%	830	604	-226	-27%
	7th Circuit	Criminal	3,031	3,231	200	7%	3,216	2,803	-413	-13%
	Combined	Felony	1,694	1,887	193	11%	1,832	1,678	-154	-8%
	Totals	Other	1,337	1,344	7	1%	1,384	1,125	-259	-19%
		Civil	1,005	1,130	125	12%	1,024	1,001	-23	-2%
		Domestic	1,939	1,801	-138	-7%	1,925	1,785	-140	-7%
		Orig	1,380	1,326	-54	-4%	1,361	1,323	-38	-3%

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			2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
		Mod	559	475	-84	-15%	564	462	-102	-18%
		Juvenile	1,350	1,265	-85	-6%	1,360	1,319	-41	-3%
		Child Support	1,160	1,077	-83	-7%	1,157	1,012	-145	-13%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>8,485</b>	<b>8,504</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>8,682</b>	<b>7,920</b>	<b>-762</b>	<b>-9%</b>
<b>8TH</b>	<b>Morgan</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,901</b>	<b>1,888</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>1,927</b>	<b>2,150</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>12%</b>
		Felony	784	782	-2	0%	752	882	130	17%
		Other	1,117	1,106	-11	-1%	1,175	1,268	93	8%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>1,413</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,396</b>	<b>1,474</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>6%</b>
		Orig	998	1,044	46	5%	977	1,082	105	11%
		Mod	415	412	-3	-1%	419	392	-27	-6%
		Juvenile	0	5	5	500%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>4,201</b>	<b>4,301</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>4,215</b>	<b>4,525</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>9TH</b>	<b>Cherokee</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>-253</b>	<b>-34%</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>-334</b>	<b>-44%</b>
		Felony	272	239	-33	-12%	379	216	-163	-43%
		Other	469	249	-220	-47%	388	217	-171	-44%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>20%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>17%</b>
		Orig	198	197	-1	-1%	179	192	13	7%
		Mod	93	91	-2	-2%	79	110	31	39%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,254</b>	<b>1,011</b>	<b>-243</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>1,202</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>-255</b>	<b>-21%</b>
	<b>DeKalb</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>6%</b>
		Felony	371	608	237	64%	503	494	-9	-2%
		Other	247	300	53	21%	415	483	68	16%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-1%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>-127</b>	<b>-14%</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>-134</b>	<b>-14%</b>
		Orig	671	557	-114	-17%	725	646	-79	-11%
		Mod	211	198	-13	-6%	233	178	-55	-24%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,965</b>	<b>2,161</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>2,257</b>	<b>2,178</b>	<b>-79</b>	<b>-4%</b>
	<b>9th Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>1,396</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,685</b>	<b>1,410</b>	<b>-275</b>	<b>-16%</b>
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	643	847	204	32%	882	710	-172	-20%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	716	549	-167	-23%	803	700	-103	-13%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>589</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>6%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>1,173</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>-130</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>1,216</b>	<b>1,126</b>	<b>-90</b>	<b>-7%</b>
		Orig	869	754	-115	-13%	904	838	-66	-7%
		Mod	304	289	-15	-5%	312	288	-24	-8%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>3,219</b>	<b>3,172</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>3,459</b>	<b>3,125</b>	<b>-334</b>	<b>-10%</b>
<b>10TH</b>	<b>Jefferson -</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,759</b>	<b>1,981</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>1,807</b>	<b>1,792</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>-1%</b>
	<b>Bessemer</b>	Felony	1,327	1,442	115	9%	1,350	1,319	-31	-2%
		Other	432	539	107	25%	457	473	16	4%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>1,689</b>	<b>1,790</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>1,840</b>	<b>-52</b>	<b>-3%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>1,071</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>-137</b>	<b>-13%</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>-151</b>	<b>-14%</b>
		Orig	855	779	-76	-9%	867	749	-118	-14%
		Mod	216	155	-61	-28%	183	150	-33	-18%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>4,519</b>	<b>4,705</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4,749</b>	<b>4,531</b>	<b>-218</b>	<b>-5%</b>
	<b>Jefferson -</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>7,103</b>	<b>6,967</b>	<b>-136</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>7,502</b>	<b>6,747</b>	<b>-755</b>	<b>-10%</b>
	<b>Birmingham</b>	Felony	3,206	3,674	468	15%	3,547	3,379	-168	-5%
		Other	3,897	3,293	-604	-15%	3,955	3,368	-587	-15%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>7,208</b>	<b>8,528</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>7,163</b>	<b>8,299</b>	<b>1,136</b>	<b>16%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>3,980</b>	<b>3,941</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>3,751</b>	<b>4,247</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>13%</b>
		Orig	3,037	3,032	-5	0%	2,887	3,281	394	14%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
		Mod	943	909	-34	-4%	864	966	102	12%
		Juvenile	5,021	4,630	-391	-8%	4,378	4,508	130	3%
		Child Support	4,865	4,886	21	0%	4,369	3,183	-1,186	-27%
		Total	28,177	28,952	775	3%	27,163	26,984	-179	-1%
	10th Circuit	Criminal	8,862	8,948	86	1%	9309	8,539	-770	-8%
	Combined	Felony	4533	5,116	583	13%	4897	4,698	-199	-4%
	Totals	Other	4329	3,832	-497	-11%	4412	3,841	-571	-13%
		Civil	8,897	10,318	1,421	16%	9055	10,139	1,084	12%
		Domestic	5051	4,875	-176	-3%	4801	5,146	345	7%
		Orig	3892	3,811	-81	-2%	3754	4,030	276	7%
		Mod	1159	1,064	-95	-8%	1047	1,116	69	7%
		Juvenile	5021	4,630	-391	-8%	4378	4,508	130	3%
		Child Support	4,865	4,886	21	0%	4369	3,183	-1,186	-27%
		Total	32,696	33,657	961	3%	31,912	31515	-397	-1%
11TH	Lauderdale	Criminal	1,027	890	-137	-13%	1,069	1,036	-33	-3%
		Felony	836	699	-137	-16%	867	846	-21	-2%
		Other	191	191	0	0%	202	190	-12	-6%
		Civil	629	635	6	1%	646	627	-19	-3%
		Domestic	1,236	1,243	7	1%	1,200	1,205	5	0%
		Orig	833	816	-17	-2%	811	829	18	2%
		Mod	403	427	24	6%	389	376	-13	-3%
		Juvenile	969	980	11	1%	949	1,104	155	16%
		Child Support	603	704	101	17%	603	562	-41	-7%
		Total	4,464	4,452	-12	0%	4,467	4,534	67	1%
12TH	Coffee -	Criminal	240	213	-27	-11%	169	239	70	41%
	Elba	Felony	163	127	-36	-22%	91	125	34	37%
		Other	77	86	9	12%	78	114	36	46%
		Civil	125	130	5	4%	187	125	-62	-33%
		Domestic	123	139	16	13%	161	119	-42	-26%
		Orig	73	90	17	23%	89	78	-11	-12%
		Mod	50	49	-1	-2%	72	41	-31	-43%
		Total	488	482	-6	-1%	517	483	-34	-7%
	Coffee -	Criminal	1,162	895	-267	-23%	1,187	868	-319	-27%
	Enterprise	Felony	648	428	-220	-34%	620	434	-186	-30%
		Other	514	467	-47	-9%	567	434	-133	-23%
		Civil	277	386	109	39%	465	309	-156	-34%
		Domestic	375	412	37	10%	408	387	-21	-5%
		Orig	264	274	10	4%	242	281	39	16%
		Mod	111	138	27	24%	166	106	-60	-36%
		Total	1,814	1,693	-121	-7%	2,060	1,564	-496	-24%
	Coffee	Criminal	1,402	1,108	-294	-21%	1,356	1,107	-249	-18%
		Felony	811	555	-256	-32%	711	559	-152	-21%
		Other	591	553	-38	-6%	645	548	-97	-15%
		Civil	402	516	114	28%	652	434	-218	-33%
		Domestic	498	551	53	11%	569	506	-63	-11%
		Orig	337	364	27	8%	331	359	28	8%
		Mod	161	187	26	16%	238	147	-91	-38%
		Total	2,302	2,175	-127	-6%	2,577	2,047	-530	-21%
	Pike	Criminal	774	684	-90	-12%	860	817	-43	-5%
		Felony	465	317	-148	-32%	543	439	-104	-19%
		Other	309	367	58	19%	317	378	61	19%
		Civil	353	361	8	2%	378	381	3	1%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
		<b>Domestic</b>	215	230	15	7%	244	230	-14	-6%
		Orig	133	141	8	6%	144	143	-1	-1%
		Mod	82	89	7	9%	100	87	-13	-13%
		<b>Total</b>	1,342	1,275	-67	-5%	1,482	1,428	-54	-4%
	<b>12th Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	2,176	1,792	-384	-18%	2,216	1,924	-292	-13%
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	1,276	872	-404	-32%	1,254	998	-256	-20%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	900	920	20	2%	962	926	-36	-4%
		<b>Civil</b>	755	877	122	16%	1,030	815	-215	-21%
		<b>Domestic</b>	713	781	68	10%	813	736	-77	-9%
		Orig	470	505	35	7%	475	502	27	6%
		Mod	243	276	33	14%	338	234	-104	-31%
		<b>Total</b>	3,644	3,450	-194	-5%	4,059	3,475	-584	-14%
<b>13TH</b>	<b>Mobile</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	8,170	8,175	5	0%	7,840	8,475	635	8%
		Felony	3,667	3,453	-214	-6%	3,405	3,633	228	7%
		Other	4,503	4,722	219	5%	4,435	4,842	407	9%
		<b>Civil</b>	4,292	4,578	286	7%	4,089	4,357	268	7%
		<b>Domestic</b>	3,838	4,055	217	6%	3,570	4,176	606	17%
		Orig	2,912	3,059	147	5%	2,746	3,082	336	12%
		Mod	926	996	70	8%	824	1,094	270	33%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	5,776	5,370	-406	-7%	5,891	5,570	-321	-5%
		<b>Child Support</b>	4,359	4,784	425	10%	4,576	3,773	-803	-18%
		<b>Total</b>	26,435	26,962	527	2%	25,966	26,351	385	1%
<b>14TH</b>	<b>Walker</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	647	691	44	7%	479	578	99	21%
		Felony	287	424	137	48%	313	363	50	16%
		Other	360	267	-93	-26%	166	215	49	30%
		<b>Civil</b>	797	779	-18	-2%	738	827	89	12%
		<b>Domestic</b>	841	830	-11	-1%	938	735	-203	-22%
		Orig	576	603	27	5%	664	558	-106	-16%
		Mod	265	227	-38	-14%	274	177	-97	-35%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	1,239	1,260	21	2%	1,076	1,057	-19	-2%
		<b>Total</b>	3,524	3,560	36	1%	3,231	3,197	-34	-1%
<b>15TH</b>	<b>Montgomery</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	2,464	2,305	-159	-6%	2,546	2,428	-118	-5%
		Felony	1,743	1,612	-131	-8%	1,858	1,732	-126	-7%
		Other	721	693	-28	-4%	688	696	8	1%
		<b>Civil</b>	3,038	3,427	389	13%	3,497	3,478	-19	-1%
		<b>Domestic</b>	1,939	1,903	-36	-2%	2,055	1,912	-143	-7%
		Orig	1,359	1,346	-13	-1%	1,494	1,338	-156	-10%
		Mod	580	557	-23	-4%	561	574	13	2%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	2,363	2,652	289	12%	2,449	2,628	179	7%
		<b>Child Support</b>	2,022	2,332	310	15%	2,145	2,161	16	1%
		<b>Total</b>	11,826	12,619	793	7%	12,692	12,607	-85	-1%
<b>16TH</b>	<b>Etowah</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	2,271	2,045	-226	-10%	2,351	2,026	-325	-14%
		Felony	1,572	1,562	-10	-1%	1,580	1,450	-130	-8%
		Other	699	483	-216	-31%	771	576	-195	-25%
		<b>Civil</b>	1,270	1,409	139	11%	1,407	1,485	78	6%
		<b>Domestic</b>	1,616	1,518	-98	-6%	1,634	1,601	-33	-2%
		Orig	859	814	-45	-5%	900	872	-28	-3%
		Mod	757	704	-53	-7%	734	729	-5	-1%
		<b>Juvenile</b>	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	5,157	4,972	-185	-4%	5,392	5,113	-279	-5%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
17TH	Greene	Criminal	67	88	21	31%	93	82	-11	-12%
		Felony	60	66	6	10%	72	70	-2	-3%
		Other	7	22	15	214%	21	12	-9	-43%
		Civil	96	108	12	13%	80	110	30	38%
		Domestic	45	41	-4	-9%	34	41	7	21%
		Orig	25	23	-2	-8%	16	25	9	56%
		Mod	20	18	-2	-10%	18	16	-2	-11%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		Total	209	237	28	13%	208	233	25	12%
	Marengo	Criminal	239	346	107	45%	207	272	65	31%
		Felony	215	330	115	53%	179	254	75	42%
		Other	24	16	-8	-33%	28	18	-10	-36%
		Civil	223	178	-45	-20%	196	191	-5	-3%
		Domestic	193	211	18	9%	186	204	18	10%
		Orig	130	129	-1	-1%	130	135	5	4%
		Mod	63	82	19	30%	56	69	13	23%
		Total	655	735	80	12%	589	669	80	14%
	Sumter	Criminal	106	66	-40	-38%	96	76	-20	-21%
		Felony	95	64	-31	-33%	87	70	-17	-20%
		Other	11	2	-9	-82%	9	6	-3	-33%
		Civil	136	117	-19	-14%	139	145	6	4%
		Domestic	82	63	-19	-23%	92	60	-32	-35%
		Orig	44	33	-11	-25%	47	35	-12	-26%
		Mod	38	30	-8	-21%	45	25	-20	-44%
		Total	324	246	-78	-24%	327	281	-46	-14%
	17th Circuit	Criminal	412	500	88	21%	396	430	34	9%
	Combined	Felony	370	460	90	24%	338	394	56	17%
	Totals	Other	42	40	-2	-5%	58	36	-22	-38%
		Civil	455	403	-52	-11%	415	446	31	7%
		Domestic	320	315	-5	-2%	312	305	-7	-2%
		Orig	199	185	-14	-7%	193	195	2	1%
		Mod	121	130	9	7%	119	110	-9	-8%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		Total	1,188	1,218	30	3%	1,124	1,183	59	5%
18TH	Shelby	Criminal	1,830	2,288	458	25%	2,292	2,611	319	14%
		Felony	772	1,132	360	47%	1,049	1,330	281	27%
		Other	1,058	1,156	98	9%	1,243	1,281	38	3%
		Civil	1,722	2,174	452	26%	1,731	1,925	194	11%
		Domestic	1,267	1,376	109	9%	1,231	1,340	109	9%
		Orig	826	891	65	8%	801	857	56	7%
		Mod	441	485	44	10%	430	483	53	12%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	4,819	5,838	1,019	21%	5,254	5,876	622	12%
19TH	Autauga	Criminal	456	452	-4	-1%	478	469	-9	-2%
		Felony	293	308	15	5%	301	321	20	7%
		Other	163	144	-19	-12%	177	148	-29	-16%
		Civil	423	467	44	10%	399	415	16	4%
		Domestic	494	516	22	4%	473	527	54	11%
		Orig	311	305	-6	-2%	286	330	44	15%
		Mod	183	211	28	15%	187	197	10	5%
		Juvenile	1	2	1	100%	1	1	0	0%
		Total	1,374	1,437	63	5%	1,351	1,412	61	5%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
	<b>Chilton</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	503	512	9	2%	607	524	-83	-14%
		Felony	364	399	35	10%	416	407	-9	-2%
		Other	139	113	-26	-19%	191	117	-74	-39%
		<b>Civil</b>	392	376	-16	-4%	356	337	-19	-5%
		<b>Domestic</b>	528	540	12	2%	503	576	73	15%
		Orig	339	333	-6	-2%	318	375	57	18%
		Mod	189	207	18	10%	185	201	16	9%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,423</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1,466</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>-2%</b>
	<b>Elmore</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	790	872	82	10%	790	1,095	305	39%
		Felony	516	574	58	11%	581	623	42	7%
		Other	274	298	24	9%	209	472	263	126%
		<b>Civil</b>	650	718	68	10%	669	709	40	6%
		<b>Domestic</b>	750	815	65	9%	749	782	33	4%
		Orig	485	507	22	5%	503	466	-37	-7%
		Mod	265	308	43	16%	246	316	70	28%
		Juvenile	24	8	-16	-67%	26	11	-15	-58%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,214</b>	<b>2,413</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>2,234</b>	<b>2,597</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>16%</b>
	<b>19th Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	1,749	1,836	87	5%	1,875	2,088	213	11%
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	1,173	1,281	108	9%	1,298	1,351	53	4%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	576	555	-21	-4%	577	737	160	28%
		<b>Civil</b>	1,465	1,561	96	7%	1,424	1,461	37	3%
		<b>Domestic</b>	1,772	1,871	99	6%	1,725	1,885	160	9%
		Orig	1,135	1,145	10	1%	1,107	1,171	64	6%
		Mod	637	726	89	14%	618	714	96	16%
		Juvenile	25	10	-15	-60%	27	12	-15	-56%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>5,011</b>	<b>5,278</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5,051</b>	<b>5,446</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>20TH</b>	<b>Henry</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	404	524	120	30%	395	478	83	21%
		Felony	181	230	49	27%	185	207	22	12%
		Other	223	294	71	32%	210	271	61	29%
		<b>Civil</b>	168	147	-21	-13%	145	170	25	17%
		<b>Domestic</b>	141	146	5	4%	115	149	34	30%
		Orig	106	103	-3	-3%	91	100	9	10%
		Mod	35	43	8	23%	24	49	25	104%
		Juvenile	1	1	0	0%	1	1	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>818</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>22%</b>
	<b>Houston</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	3,904	2,503	-1,401	-36%	4,077	2,917	-1,160	-28%
		Felony	1,434	1,734	300	21%	2,291	1,580	-711	-31%
		Other	2,470	769	-1,701	-69%	1,786	1,337	-449	-25%
		<b>Civil</b>	999	1,105	106	11%	932	959	27	3%
		<b>Domestic</b>	1,566	1,586	20	1%	1,564	1,685	121	8%
		Orig	1,127	1,161	34	3%	1,116	1,220	104	9%
		Mod	439	425	-14	-3%	448	465	17	4%
		Juvenile	1,612	1,665	53	3%	1,442	1,869	427	30%
		Child Support	776	799	23	3%	902	1,027	125	14%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>8,857</b>	<b>7,658</b>	<b>-1,199</b>	<b>-14%</b>	<b>8,917</b>	<b>8,457</b>	<b>-460</b>	<b>-5%</b>
	<b>20th Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	4,308	3,027	-1,281	-30%	4,472	3,395	-1,077	-24%
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	1,615	1,964	349	22%	2,476	1,787	-689	-28%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	2,693	1,063	-1,630	-61%	1,996	1,608	-388	-19%
		<b>Civil</b>	1,167	1,252	85	7%	1,077	1,129	52	5%
		<b>Domestic</b>	1,707	1,732	25	1%	1,679	1,834	155	9%
		Orig	1,233	1,264	31	3%	1,207	1,320	113	9%
		Mod	474	468	-6	-1%	472	514	42	9%

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			2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
		Juvenile	1,613	1,666	53	3%	1,443	1,870	427	30%
		Child Support	776	799	23	3%	902	1,027	125	14%
		Total	9,571	8,476	-1,095	-11%	9,573	9,255	-318	-3%
21ST	Escambia	Criminal	614	693	79	13%	642	634	-8	-1%
		Felony	454	510	56	12%	492	487	-5	-1%
		Other	160	183	23	14%	150	147	-3	-2%
		Civil	280	342	62	22%	257	354	97	38%
		Domestic	355	415	60	17%	361	355	-6	-2%
		Orig	231	238	7	3%	243	229	-14	-6%
		Mod	124	177	53	43%	118	126	8	7%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	1,249	1,450	201	16%	1,260	1,343	83	7%
22ND	Covington	Criminal	926	875	-51	-6%	745	817	72	10%
		Felony	519	414	-105	-20%	351	414	63	18%
		Other	407	461	54	13%	394	403	9	2%
		Civil	284	294	10	4%	273	251	-22	-8%
		Domestic	637	649	12	2%	647	614	-33	-5%
		Orig	417	419	2	0%	424	407	-17	-4%
		Mod	220	230	10	5%	223	207	-16	-7%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	1,847	1,818	-29	-2%	1,665	1,682	17	1%
23RD	Madison	Criminal	9,574	9,099	-475	-5%	8,870	9,352	482	5%
		Felony	4,602	3,767	-835	-18%	3,769	4,206	437	12%
		Other	4,972	5,332	360	7%	5,101	5,146	45	1%
		Civil	2,779	3,096	317	11%	2,617	2,687	70	3%
		Domestic	2,825	2,696	-129	-5%	2,795	2,795	0	0%
		Orig	2,273	2,067	-206	-9%	2,190	2,175	-15	-1%
		Mod	552	629	77	14%	605	620	15	2%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		Total	15,179	14,891	-288	-2%	14,283	14,835	552	4%
24TH	Fayette	Criminal	315	403	88	28%	208	490	282	136%
		Felony	156	219	63	40%	90	247	157	174%
		Other	159	184	25	16%	118	243	125	106%
		Civil	124	116	-8	-6%	123	120	-3	-2%
		Domestic	253	265	12	5%	233	232	-1	0%
		Orig	180	188	8	4%	165	154	-11	-7%
		Mod	73	77	4	5%	68	78	10	15%
		Total	692	784	92	13%	564	842	278	49%
	Lamar	Criminal	330	312	-18	-5%	270	331	61	23%
		Felony	118	134	16	14%	69	167	98	142%
		Other	212	178	-34	-16%	201	164	-37	-18%
		Civil	115	166	51	44%	110	146	36	33%
		Domestic	191	214	23	12%	178	213	35	20%
		Orig	109	129	20	18%	104	132	28	27%
		Mod	82	85	3	4%	74	81	7	9%
		Total	636	692	56	9%	558	690	132	24%
	Pickens	Criminal	175	599	424	242%	366	560	194	53%
		Felony	66	362	296	448%	150	241	91	61%
		Other	109	237	128	117%	216	319	103	48%
		Civil	149	140	-9	-6%	144	115	-29	-20%
		Domestic	176	167	-9	-5%	182	165	-17	-9%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
		Orig	119	106	-13	-11%	128	102	-26	-20%
		Mod	57	61	4	7%	54	63	9	17%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>21%</b>
	<b>24th Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>1,314</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>1,381</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>64%</b>
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	340	715	375	110%	309	655	346	112%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	480	599	119	25%	535	726	191	36%
		Civil	388	422	34	9%	377	381	4	1%
		Domestic	620	646	26	4%	593	610	17	3%
		Orig	408	423	15	4%	397	388	-9	-2%
		Mod	212	223	11	5%	196	222	26	13%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	1	0	-1	-100%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,829</b>	<b>2,382</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>1,815</b>	<b>2,372</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>31%</b>
<b>25TH</b>	<b>Marion</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>27%</b>
		Felony	233	335	102	44%	238	303	65	27%
		Other	257	222	-35	-14%	230	292	62	27%
		Civil	274	280	6	2%	265	306	41	15%
		Domestic	456	517	61	13%	345	542	197	57%
		Orig	268	286	18	7%	202	331	129	64%
		Mod	188	231	43	23%	143	211	68	48%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,220</b>	<b>1,354</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>1,078</b>	<b>1,443</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>34%</b>
	<b>Winston</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>-14</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>16%</b>
		Felony	212	193	-19	-9%	185	224	39	21%
		Other	17	22	5	29%	17	10	-7	-41%
		Civil	175	210	35	20%	163	205	42	26%
		Domestic	278	233	-45	-16%	345	248	-97	-28%
		Orig	237	187	-50	-21%	278	200	-78	-28%
		Mod	41	46	5	12%	67	48	-19	-28%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>658</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>710</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>-3%</b>
	<b>25th Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>24%</b>
	<b>Combined</b>	<b>Felony</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>25%</b>
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	274	244	-30	-11%	247	302	55	22%
		Civil	449	490	41	9%	428	511	83	19%
		Domestic	734	750	16	2%	690	790	100	14%
		Orig	505	473	-32	-6%	480	531	51	11%
		Mod	229	277	48	21%	210	259	49	23%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,902</b>	<b>2,012</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>1,788</b>	<b>2,130</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>26TH</b>	<b>Russell</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,555</b>	<b>2,210</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>1,421</b>	<b>1,925</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>35%</b>
		Felony	684	792	108	16%	611	755	144	24%
		Other	871	1,418	547	63%	810	1,170	360	44%
		Civil	429	586	157	37%	450	512	62	14%
		Domestic	628	610	-18	-3%	615	674	59	10%
		Orig	435	428	-7	-2%	442	454	12	3%
		Mod	193	182	-11	-6%	173	220	47	27%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,612</b>	<b>3,406</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>2,486</b>	<b>3,111</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>27TH</b>	<b>Marshall</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>1,409</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>1,687</b>	<b>727</b>	<b>76%</b>
		Felony	690	819	129	19%	730	936	206	28%
		Other	467	590	123	26%	230	751	521	227%
		Civil	696	776	80	11%	705	767	62	9%
		Domestic	1,507	1,438	-69	-5%	1,423	1,546	123	9%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
		Orig	1,093	1,108	15	1%	1,038	1,130	92	9%
		Mod	414	330	-84	-20%	385	416	31	8%
		Juvenile	1	0	-1	-100%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>3,361</b>	<b>3,623</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>3,088</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>912</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>28TH</b>	<b>Baldwin</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>5,050</b>	<b>1,390</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>3,916</b>	<b>4,665</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>19%</b>
		Felony	1,631	2,288	657	40%	1,712	2,000	288	17%
		Other	2,029	2,762	733	36%	2,204	2,665	461	21%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>2,194</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>1,847</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>9%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>2,039</b>	<b>1,923</b>	<b>-116</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>2,066</b>	<b>1,972</b>	<b>-94</b>	<b>-5%</b>
		Orig	1,482	1,433	-49	-3%	1,487	1,499	12	1%
		Mod	557	490	-67	-12%	579	473	-106	-18%
		Juvenile	2,623	2,405	-218	-8%	2,345	2,935	590	25%
		Child Support	783	779	-4	-1%	836	762	-74	-9%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>10,965</b>	<b>12,351</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>11,010</b>	<b>12,353</b>	<b>1,343</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>29TH</b>	<b>Talladega</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,397</b>	<b>1,179</b>	<b>-218</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>1,573</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>-369</b>	<b>-23%</b>
		Felony	608	698	90	15%	750	667	-83	-11%
		Other	789	481	-308	-39%	823	537	-286	-35%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>857</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>776</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>1,210</b>	<b>1,082</b>	<b>-128</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>1,110</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>-6%</b>
		Orig	830	779	-51	-6%	800	795	-5	-1%
		Mod	380	303	-77	-20%	382	315	-67	-18%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>3,305</b>	<b>3,118</b>	<b>-187</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>3,531</b>	<b>3,097</b>	<b>-434</b>	<b>-12%</b>
<b>30TH</b>	<b>St. Clair - Ashville</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5%</b>
		Felony	314	296	-18	-6%	255	282	27	11%
		Other	117	129	12	10%	122	114	-8	-7%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-1%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>-5%</b>
		Orig	233	212	-21	-9%	249	208	-41	-16%
		Mod	65	77	12	18%	61	86	25	41%
		<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>1,108</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>1,042</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>0%</b>
	<b>St. Clair - Pell City</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>-2%</b>
		Felony	374	532	158	42%	386	390	4	1%
		Other	347	289	-58	-17%	280	264	-16	-6%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>23%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4%</b>
		Orig	361	416	55	15%	326	359	33	10%
		Mod	135	121	-14	-10%	116	99	-17	-15%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,714</b>	<b>1,964</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>1,540</b>	<b>1,646</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>7%</b>
	<b>30th Circuit Combined</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>1,246</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>1,043</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1%</b>
		Felony	688	828	140	20%	641	672	31	5%
		Other	464	418	-46	-10%	402	378	-24	-6%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>873</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>12%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>
		Orig	594	628	34	6%	575	567	-8	-1%
		Mod	200	198	-2	-1%	177	185	8	5%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>3,072</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>2,583</b>	<b>2,688</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>31ST</b>	<b>Colbert</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>655</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>-124</b>	<b>-19%</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>-104</b>	<b>-15%</b>
		Felony	491	366	-125	-25%	481	434	-47	-10%
		Other	164	165	1	1%	196	139	-57	-29%

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			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
		Civil	501	559	58	12%	481	640	159	33%
		Domestic	928	929	1	0%	924	910	-14	-2%
		Orig	658	670	12	2%	678	662	-16	-2%
		Mod	270	259	-11	-4%	246	248	2	1%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,084</b>	<b>2,019</b>	<b>-65</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>2,082</b>	<b>2,123</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>32ND</b>	<b>Cullman</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>12%</b>
		Felony	388	426	38	10%	418	415	-3	-1%
		Other	163	221	58	36%	87	153	66	76%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>10%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>1,352</b>	<b>1,234</b>	<b>-118</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>1,343</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1%</b>
		Orig	859	764	-95	-11%	868	848	-20	-2%
		Mod	493	470	-23	-5%	468	495	27	6%
		Juvenile	0	2	2	200%	0	2	2	200%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,521</b>	<b>2,578</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>2,456</b>	<b>2,592</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>6%</b>
<b>33RD</b>	<b>Dale</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>765</b>	<b>-131</b>	<b>-15%</b>
		Felony	437	447	10	2%	565	479	-86	-15%
		Other	357	275	-82	-23%	331	286	-45	-14%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>9%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>1,066</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>5%</b>
		Orig	695	783	88	13%	681	756	75	11%
		Mod	248	283	35	14%	257	230	-27	-11%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,070</b>	<b>2,141</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>2,169</b>	<b>2,116</b>	<b>-53</b>	<b>-2%</b>
	<b>Geneva</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>-43</b>	<b>-8%</b>
		Felony	339	427	88	26%	470	332	-138	-29%
		Other	112	129	17	15%	71	166	95	134%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>-23%</b>
		Orig	261	259	-2	-1%	354	277	-77	-22%
		Mod	154	131	-23	-15%	172	129	-43	-25%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,074</b>	<b>1,178</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>1,123</b>	<b>-142</b>	<b>-11%</b>
	<b>33rd Circuit</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>1,278</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,437</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>-174</b>	<b>-12%</b>
	<b>Combined</b>	Felony	776	874	98	13%	1,035	811	-224	-22%
	<b>Totals</b>	Other	469	404	-65	-14%	402	452	50	12%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>584</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>10%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>1,358</b>	<b>1,456</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>1,464</b>	<b>1,392</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>-5%</b>
		Orig	956	1,042	86	9%	1,035	1,033	-2	0%
		Mod	402	414	12	3%	429	359	-70	-16%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>3,144</b>	<b>3,319</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>3,434</b>	<b>3,239</b>	<b>-195</b>	<b>-6%</b>
<b>34TH</b>	<b>Franklin</b>	<b>Criminal</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3%</b>
		Felony	330	449	119	36%	304	357	53	17%
		Other	157	122	-35	-22%	169	128	-41	-24%
		<b>Civil</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>-1%</b>
		<b>Domestic</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6%</b>
		Orig	253	246	-7	-3%	263	258	-5	-2%
		Mod	147	126	-21	-14%	120	147	27	23%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,183</b>	<b>1,258</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>1,130</b>	<b>1,162</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>3%</b>

Circuit	County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change		Cases Disposed		Change	
			2007	2008	2007-2008		2007	2008	2007-2008	
					# +/-	%			# +/-	%
35TH	Conecuh	Criminal	213	178	-35	-16%	166	173	7	4%
		Felony	157	111	-46	-29%	72	114	42	58%
		Other	56	67	11	20%	94	59	-35	-37%
		Civil	183	149	-34	-19%	125	154	29	23%
		Domestic	132	153	21	16%	97	156	59	61%
		Orig	76	95	19	25%	70	98	28	40%
		Mod	56	58	2	4%	27	58	31	115%
		Total	528	480	-48	-9%	388	483	95	24%
	Monroe	Criminal	200	155	-45	-23%	235	174	-61	-26%
		Felony	119	72	-47	-39%	126	103	-23	-18%
		Other	81	83	2	2%	109	71	-38	-35%
		Civil	230	219	-11	-5%	200	211	11	6%
		Domestic	277	251	-26	-9%	286	298	12	4%
		Orig	160	158	-2	-1%	179	180	1	1%
		Mod	117	93	-24	-21%	107	118	11	10%
		Total	707	625	-82	-12%	721	683	-38	-5%
	35th Circuit	Criminal	413	333	-80	-19%	401	347	-54	-13%
	Combined	Felony	276	183	-93	-34%	198	217	19	10%
	Totals	Other	137	150	13	9%	203	130	-73	-36%
		Civil	413	368	-45	-11%	325	365	40	12%
		Domestic	409	404	-5	-1%	383	454	71	19%
		Orig	236	253	17	7%	249	278	29	12%
		Mod	173	151	-22	-13%	134	176	42	31%
		Total	1,235	1,105	-130	-11%	1,109	1,166	57	5%
36TH	Lawrence	Criminal	822	810	-12	-1%	935	781	-154	-16%
		Felony	488	407	-81	-17%	515	411	-104	-20%
		Other	334	403	69	21%	420	370	-50	-12%
		Civil	243	254	11	5%	236	260	24	10%
		Domestic	420	409	-11	-3%	412	408	-4	-1%
		Orig	265	269	4	2%	250	268	18	7%
		Mod	155	140	-15	-10%	162	140	-22	-14%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	1,485	1,473	-12	-1%	1,583	1,449	-134	-8%
37TH	Lee	Criminal	1,619	1,437	-182	-11%	1,609	1,695	86	5%
		Felony	889	750	-139	-16%	812	836	24	3%
		Other	730	687	-43	-6%	797	859	62	8%
		Civil	917	1,101	184	20%	891	1,035	144	16%
		Domestic	864	885	21	2%	781	877	96	12%
		Orig	602	618	16	3%	540	636	96	18%
		Mod	262	267	5	2%	241	241	0	0%
		Juvenile	1,561	1,593	32	2%	1,518	1,747	229	15%
		Child Support	1,071	1,008	-63	-6%	1,076	894	-182	-17%
		Total	6,032	6,024	-8	0%	5,875	6,248	373	6%
38TH	Jackson	Criminal	899	1,388	489	54%	928	1,234	306	33%
		Felony	336	640	304	90%	370	586	216	58%
		Other	563	748	185	33%	558	648	90	16%
		Civil	402	405	3	1%	344	414	70	20%
		Domestic	841	798	-43	-5%	818	813	-5	-1%
		Orig	506	494	-12	-2%	495	498	3	1%
		Mod	335	304	-31	-9%	323	315	-8	-2%
		Juvenile	3	1	-2	-67%	4	2	-2	-50%
		Total	2,145	2,592	447	21%	2,094	2,463	369	18%

Circuit	County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2007-2008	
			2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
39TH	Limestone	Criminal	945	1,011	66	7%	1,008	935	-73	-7%
		Felony	549	678	129	23%	595	581	-14	-2%
		Other	396	333	-63	-16%	413	354	-59	-14%
		Civil	591	638	47	8%	665	675	10	2%
		Domestic	825	913	88	11%	819	915	96	12%
		Orig	633	734	101	16%	610	736	126	21%
		Mod	192	179	-13	-7%	209	179	-30	-14%
		Total	2,361	2,562	201	9%	2,492	2,525	33	1%
		40TH	Clay	Criminal	368	340	-28	-8%	296	336
		Felony	137	149	12	9%	114	140	26	23%
		Other	231	191	-40	-17%	182	196	14	8%
		Civil	71	97	26	37%	147	69	-78	-53%
		Domestic	145	150	5	3%	139	142	3	2%
		Orig	77	101	24	31%	68	86	18	26%
		Mod	68	49	-19	-28%	71	56	-15	-21%
		Total	584	587	3	1%	582	547	-35	-6%
	Coosa	Criminal	262	227	-35	-13%	218	277	59	27%
		Felony	110	85	-25	-23%	88	119	31	35%
		Other	152	142	-10	-7%	130	158	28	22%
		Civil	86	93	7	8%	76	90	14	18%
		Domestic	78	63	-15	-19%	68	47	-21	-31%
		Orig	52	43	-9	-17%	50	32	-18	-36%
		Mod	26	20	-6	-23%	18	15	-3	-17%
		Total	426	383	-43	-10%	362	414	52	14%
	40th Circuit	Criminal	630	567	-63	-10%	514	613	99	19%
	Combined	Felony	247	234	-13	-5%	202	259	57	28%
	Totals	Other	383	333	-50	-13%	312	354	42	13%
		Civil	157	190	33	21%	223	159	-64	-29%
		Domestic	223	213	-10	-4%	207	189	-18	-9%
		Orig	129	144	15	12%	118	118	0	0%
		Mod	94	69	-25	-27%	89	71	-18	-20%
		Total	1,010	970	-40	-4%	944	961	17	2%
41ST	Blount	Criminal	774	725	-49	-6%	696	805	109	16%
		Felony	368	362	-6	-2%	337	445	108	32%
		Other	406	363	-43	-11%	359	360	1	0%
		Civil	463	514	51	11%	342	454	112	33%
		Domestic	427	438	11	3%	324	358	34	10%
		Orig	307	302	-5	-2%	256	260	4	2%
		Mod	120	136	16	13%	68	98	30	44%
		Juvenile	0	0	0	0%	0	0	0	0%
		Total	1,664	1,677	13	1%	1,362	1,617	255	19%
*** ALABAMA STATEWIDE CIRCUIT COURT TOTALS ***										
		Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2007-2008	
			2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
		Criminal	80,582	81,848	1,266	2%	80,862	83,091	2,229	3%
		Felony	42,663	44,492	1,829	4%	43,475	45,039	1,564	4%
		Other	37,919	37,356	-563	-1%	37,387	38,052	665	2%
		Civil	46,518	51,863	5,345	11%	46,394	49,365	2,971	6%
		Domestic	49,339	48,886	-453	-1%	48,428	50,299	1,871	4%
		Orig	34,709	34,600	-109	0%	34,149	36,058	1,909	6%
		Mod	14,630	14,286	-344	-2%	14,279	14,241	-38	0%
		Juvenile	25,071	24,294	-777	-3%	23,634	24,998	1,364	6%
		Child Support	16,882	17,565	683	4%	16,843	14,583	-2,260	-13%
		Total	218,941	224,456	5,515	3%	216,161	222,336	6,175	3%

**Table 2: District Court Caseload Statistics, Fiscal Years 2007 - 2008**

County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
Autauga	Traffic	5,906	12,186	6,280	106%	6,126	10,857	4,731	77%
	Criminal	1,249	1,189	-60	-5%	1,186	1,258	72	6%
	Small Claims	1,082	1,416	334	31%	1,246	1,392	146	12%
	Civil	367	475	108	29%	406	463	57	14%
	Juvenile	697	555	-142	-20%	649	676	27	4%
	Child Support	396	472	76	19%	425	437	12	3%
	Total	9,697	16,293	6,596	68%	10,038	15,083	5,045	50%
Baldwin	Traffic	23,735	30,331	6,596	28%	21,492	30,800	9,308	43%
	Criminal	6,302	7,150	848	13%	6,287	7,177	890	14%
	Small Claims	2,872	3,527	655	23%	2,840	3,808	968	34%
	Civil	1,485	1,838	353	24%	1,345	2,276	931	69%
	Total	34,394	42,846	8,452	25%	31,964	44,061	12,097	38%
Barbour - Clayton	Traffic	1,281	976	-305	-24%	1,228	1,101	-127	-10%
	Criminal	539	648	109	20%	503	661	158	31%
	Small Claims	151	189	38	25%	151	164	13	9%
	Civil	27	37	10	37%	29	25	-4	-14%
	Juvenile	148	132	-16	-11%	136	144	8	6%
	Child Support	768	225	-543	-71%	1,168	278	-890	-76%
Total	2,914	2,207	-707	-24%	3,215	2,373	-842	-26%	
Barbour - Eufaula	Traffic	2,848	3,334	486	17%	2,718	3,266	548	20%
	Criminal	635	816	181	29%	590	811	221	37%
	Small Claims	762	898	136	18%	704	804	100	14%
	Civil	115	128	13	11%	113	98	-15	-13%
	Juvenile	258	199	-59	-23%	267	196	-71	-27%
	Child Support	1	0	-1		0	0	0	0%
Total	4,619	5,375	756	16%	4,392	5,175	783	18%	
Barbour	Traffic	4,129	4,310	181	4%	3,946	4,367	421	11%
	Criminal	1,174	1,464	290	25%	1,093	1,472	379	35%
	Small Claims	913	1,087	174	19%	855	968	113	13%
	Civil	142	165	23	16%	142	123	-19	-13%
	Juvenile	406	331	-75	-18%	403	340	-63	-16%
	Child Support	769	225	-544	-71%	1,168	278	-890	-76%
Total	7,533	7,582	49	1%	7,607	7,548	-59	-1%	
Bibb	Traffic	4,104	4,850	746	18%	3,872	5,526	1,654	43%
	Criminal	1,148	1,115	-33	-3%	1,200	1,122	-78	-7%
	Small Claims	288	281	-7	-2%	288	297	9	3%
	Civil	126	177	51	40%	118	201	83	70%
	Juvenile	536	566	30	6%	533	659	126	24%
	Child Support	259	275	16	6%	236	297	61	26%
Total	6,461	7,264	803	12%	6,247	8,102	1,855	30%	
Blount	Traffic	4,999	5,424	425	9%	4,496	6,016	1,520	34%
	Criminal	2,075	1,758	-317	-15%	2,151	1,806	-345	-16%
	Small Claims	647	731	84	13%	626	697	71	11%
	Civil	244	316	72	30%	261	305	44	17%
	Juvenile	445	421	-24	-5%	478	443	-35	-7%

County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
	Child Support	148	157	9	6%	108	199	91	84%
	Total	8,558	8,807	249	3%	8,120	9,466	1,346	17%
Bullock	Traffic	2,593	4,131	1,538	59%	2,613	3,925	1,312	50%
	Criminal	613	795	182	30%	619	779	160	26%
	Small Claims	219	247	28	13%	177	186	9	5%
	Civil	89	140	51	57%	72	91	19	26%
	Juvenile	74	81	7	9%	66	76	10	15%
	Child Support	267	300	33	12%	245	234	-11	-4%
	Total	3,855	5,694	1,839	48%	3,792	5,291	1,499	40%
Butler	Traffic	10,224	7,979	-2,245	-22%	10,138	9,286	-852	-8%
	Criminal	2,002	2,089	87	4%	1,929	2,098	169	9%
	Small Claims	955	998	43	5%	1,018	943	-75	-7%
	Civil	185	177	-8	-4%	146	185	39	27%
	Juvenile	214	169	-45	-21%	200	256	56	28%
	Child Support	365	363	-2	-1%	239	268	29	12%
	Total	13,945	11,775	-2,170	-16%	13,670	13,036	-634	-5%
Calhoun	Traffic	19,327	16,470	-2,857	-15%	17,951	18,159	208	1%
	Criminal	8,050	7,297	-753	-9%	7,180	7,114	-66	-1%
	Small Claims	1,839	2,595	756	41%	2,091	2,125	34	2%
	Civil	1,015	1,416	401	40%	974	1,461	487	50%
	Total	30,231	27,778	-2,453	-8%	28,196	28,859	663	2%
Chambers	Traffic	7,744	11,004	3,260	42%	6,893	11,159	4,266	62%
	Criminal	2,869	3,262	393	14%	3,131	3,152	21	1%
	Small Claims	1,482	1,357	-125	-8%	1,652	1,379	-273	-17%
	Civil	296	377	81	27%	342	342	0	0%
	Juvenile	438	568	130	30%	429	574	145	34%
	Child Support	350	376	26	7%	358	285	-73	-20%
	Total	13,179	16,944	3,765	29%	12,805	16,891	4,086	32%
Cherokee	Traffic	1,566	2,345	779	50%	1,422	2,403	981	69%
	Criminal	1,347	1,502	155	12%	1,622	1,449	-173	-11%
	Small Claims	331	404	73	22%	393	397	4	1%
	Civil	114	145	31	27%	137	140	3	2%
	Juvenile	882	696	-186	-21%	894	706	-188	-21%
	Child Support	197	264	67	34%	273	267	-6	-2%
	Total	4,437	5,356	919	21%	4,741	5,362	621	13%
Chilton	Traffic	11,626	11,082	-544	-5%	11,279	11,677	398	4%
	Criminal	2,678	2,735	57	2%	2,625	2,820	195	7%
	Small Claims	902	1,069	167	19%	647	1,360	713	110%
	Civil	292	341	49	17%	186	414	228	123%
	Juvenile	403	407	4	1%	400	400	0	0%
	Child Support	317	411	94	30%	309	363	54	17%
	Total	16,218	16,045	-173	-1%	15,446	17,034	1,588	10%
Choctaw	Traffic	2,465	4,306	1,841	75%	2,163	3,547	1,384	64%
	Criminal	980	912	-68	-7%	858	912	54	6%
	Small Claims	432	422	-10	-2%	386	381	-5	-1%
	Civil	76	85	9	12%	75	70	-5	-7%

County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
	Juvenile	105	85	-20	-19%	94	147	53	56%
	Child Support	188	147	-41	-22%	168	213	45	27%
	Total	4,246	5,957	1,711	40%	3,744	5,270	1,526	41%
Clarke	Traffic	3,013	4,904	1,891	63%	2,503	5,091	2,588	103%
	Criminal	1,925	1,805	-120	-6%	1,745	1,808	63	4%
	Small Claims	996	942	-54	-5%	980	675	-305	-31%
	Civil	221	241	20	9%	168	198	30	18%
	Juvenile	279	237	-42	-15%	253	255	2	1%
	Child Support	478	479	1	0%	465	500	35	8%
	Total	6,912	8,608	1,696	25%	6,114	8,527	2,413	39%
Clay	Traffic	1,809	1,162	-647	-36%	1,645	1,417	-228	-14%
	Criminal	841	622	-219	-26%	643	761	118	18%
	Small Claims	230	268	38	17%	247	227	-20	-8%
	Civil	67	103	36	54%	58	81	23	40%
	Juvenile	167	164	-3	-2%	152	232	80	53%
	Child Support	167	184	17	10%	192	148	-44	-23%
	Total	3,281	2,503	-778	-24%	2,937	2,866	-71	-2%
Cleburne	Traffic	11,276	11,462	186	2%	10,018	12,155	2,137	21%
	Criminal	994	816	-178	-18%	858	830	-28	-3%
	Small Claims	206	286	80	39%	206	275	69	33%
	Civil	81	126	45	56%	69	127	58	84%
	Juvenile	202	175	-27	-13%	202	173	-29	-14%
	Child Support	111	91	-20	-18%	103	91	-12	-12%
	Total	12,870	12,956	86	1%	11,456	13,651	2,195	19%
Coffee - Elba	Traffic	2,599	3,557	958	37%	2,478	3,483	1,005	41%
	Criminal	890	744	-146	-16%	801	799	-2	0%
	Small Claims	492	569	77	16%	546	523	-23	-4%
	Civil	78	93	15	19%	68	90	22	32%
	Juvenile	217	126	-91	-42%	232	118	-114	-49%
	Child Support	89	115	26	29%	110	96	-14	-13%
	Total	4,365	5,204	839	19%	4,235	5,109	874	21%
Coffee - Enterprise	Traffic	2,666	4,346	1,680	63%	2,668	3,553	885	33%
	Criminal	1,476	1,295	-181	-12%	1,566	1,558	-8	-1%
	Small Claims	1,195	1,275	80	7%	1,360	1,357	-3	0%
	Civil	276	339	63	23%	301	323	22	7%
	Juvenile	697	497	-200	-29%	713	483	-230	-32%
	Child Support	247	286	39	16%	260	329	69	27%
	Total	6,557	8,038	1,481	23%	6,868	7,603	735	11%
Coffee	Traffic	5,265	7,903	2,638	50%	5,146	7,036	1,890	37%
	Criminal	2,366	2,039	-327	-14%	2,367	2,357	-10	0%
	Small Claims	1,687	1,844	157	9%	1,906	1,880	-26	-1%
	Civil	354	432	78	22%	369	413	44	12%
	Juvenile	914	623	-291	-32%	945	601	-344	-36%
	Child Support	336	401	65	19%	370	425	55	15%
	Total	10,922	13,242	2,320	21%	11,103	12,712	1,609	14%

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		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
Colbert	Traffic	9,634	10,327	693	7%	9,220	10,475	1,255	14%
	Criminal	1,693	1,924	231	14%	1,650	1,712	62	4%
	Small Claims	1,763	1,394	-369	-21%	1,508	1,580	72	5%
	Civil	409	495	86	21%	380	659	279	73%
	Juvenile	564	632	68	12%	445	1,271	826	186%
	Child Support	326	367	41	13%	299	320	21	7%
	Total	14,389	15,139	750	5%	13,502	16,017	2,515	19%
Conecuh	Traffic	6,897	5,971	-926	-13%	6,423	6,326	-97	-2%
	Criminal	639	588	-51	-8%	608	646	38	6%
	Small Claims	387	443	56	14%	658	575	-83	-13%
	Civil	63	102	39	62%	63	90	27	43%
	Juvenile	179	158	-21	-12%	162	174	12	7%
	Child Support	312	299	-13	-4%	154	250	96	62%
	Total	8,477	7,561	-916	-11%	8,068	8,061	-7	0%
Coosa	Traffic	3,626	4,091	465	13%	2,846	4,707	1,861	65%
	Criminal	765	816	51	7%	750	841	91	12%
	Small Claims	174	167	-7	-4%	170	143	-27	-16%
	Civil	63	87	24	38%	58	63	5	9%
	Juvenile	163	186	23	14%	170	246	76	45%
	Child Support	84	96	12	14%	85	131	46	54%
	Total	4,875	5,443	568	12%	4,079	6,131	2,052	50%
Covington	Traffic	4,851	6,753	1,902	39%	4,289	6,697	2,408	56%
	Criminal	3,925	4,141	216	6%	3,775	4,093	318	8%
	Small Claims	864	977	113	13%	950	945	-5	-1%
	Civil	261	271	10	4%	279	260	-19	-7%
	Juvenile	783	626	-157	-20%	825	609	-216	-26%
	Child Support	469	475	6	1%	414	538	124	30%
	Total	11,153	13,243	2,090	19%	10,532	13,142	2,610	25%
Crenshaw	Traffic	5,759	4,500	-1,259	-22%	5,379	4,938	-441	-8%
	Criminal	937	675	-262	-28%	965	638	-327	-34%
	Small Claims	324	359	35	11%	323	338	15	5%
	Civil	108	127	19	18%	100	112	12	12%
	Juvenile	232	182	-50	-22%	205	200	-5	-2%
	Child Support	200	178	-22	-11%	172	219	47	27%
	Total	7,560	6,021	-1,539	-20%	7,144	6,445	-699	-10%
Cullman	Traffic	15,584	19,382	3,798	24%	15,212	19,694	4,482	29%
	Criminal	3,887	3,894	7	0%	4,153	3,866	-287	-7%
	Small Claims	1,809	1,865	56	3%	2,127	1,865	-262	-12%
	Civil	541	665	124	23%	634	639	5	1%
	Juvenile	889	897	8	1%	1,019	1,041	330	46%
	Child Support	372	434	62	17%	310	374	13	4%
	Total	23,082	27,137	4,055	18%	23,455	27,479	4,024	17%
Dale	Traffic	3,715	6,026	2,311	62%	3,731	5,593	1,862	50%
	Criminal	1,186	1,433	247	21%	1,223	1,429	206	17%
	Small Claims	1,240	1,316	76	6%	1,213	1,164	-49	-4%
	Civil	367	414	47	13%	384	337	-47	-12%
	Juvenile	951	1,058	107	11%	858	1,110	252	29%
	Child Support	665	708	43	6%	589	591	2	0%
	Total	8,124	10,955	2,831	35%	7,998	10,224	2,226	28%

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		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
Dallas	Traffic	11,267	8,706	-2,561	-23%	9,440	10,427	987	10%
	Criminal	1,984	1,970	-14	-1%	1,883	1,879	-4	0%
	Small Claims	1,070	1,291	221	21%	827	1,047	220	27%
	Civil	439	495	56	13%	344	494	150	44%
	Juvenile	810	953	143	18%	744	1,155	411	55%
	Child Support	806	1,032	226	28%	930	1,105	175	19%
	Total	16,376	14,447	-1,929	-12%	14,168	16,107	1,939	14%
DeKalb	Traffic	5,435	6,746	1,311	24%	4,982	6,780	1,798	36%
	Criminal	1,959	2,078	119	6%	1,890	1,725	-165	-9%
	Small Claims	1,222	1,227	5	0%	676	1,334	658	97%
	Civil	405	448	43	11%	332	553	221	67%
	Juvenile	900	999	99	11%	681	1,005	324	48%
	Child Support	274	267	-7	-3%	197	351	154	78%
	Total	10,195	11,765	1,570	15%	8,758	11,748	2,990	34%
Elmore	Traffic	9,755	17,471	7,716	79%	9,161	16,660	7,499	82%
	Criminal	3,390	3,735	345	10%	3,389	3,742	353	10%
	Small Claims	1,466	1,677	211	14%	1,406	1,743	337	24%
	Civil	560	769	209	37%	560	712	152	27%
	Juvenile	921	928	7	1%	980	919	-61	-6%
	Child Support	544	633	89	16%	611	620	9	1%
	Total	16,636	25,213	8,577	52%	16,107	24,396	8,289	51%
Escambia	Traffic	8,899	9,303	404	5%	8,495	9,487	992	12%
	Criminal	1,725	1,602	-123	-7%	1,443	1,291	-152	-11%
	Small Claims	740	887	147	20%	752	754	2	0%
	Civil	298	372	74	25%	259	314	55	21%
	Juvenile	501	573	72	14%	391	870	479	123%
	Child Support	383	489	106	28%	458	597	139	30%
	Total	12,546	13,226	680	5%	11,798	13,313	1,515	13%
Etowah	Traffic	7,297	12,383	5,086	70%	6,757	11,293	4,536	67%
	Criminal	3,957	4,112	155	4%	3,877	4,143	266	7%
	Small Claims	2,631	2,827	196	7%	3,601	2,419	-1,182	-33%
	Civil	1,180	1,537	357	30%	1,207	1,253	46	4%
	Juvenile	1,201	995	-206	-17%	1,167	1,172	5	0%
	Child Support	730	812	82	11%	759	537	-222	-29%
	Total	16,996	22,666	5,670	33%	17,368	20,817	3,449	20%
Fayette	Traffic	3,081	2,820	-261	-8%	2,915	2,647	-268	-9%
	Criminal	1,103	1,048	-55	-5%	1,036	1,074	38	4%
	Small Claims	306	439	133	43%	280	419	139	50%
	Civil	94	93	-1	-1%	68	103	35	51%
	Juvenile	286	313	27	9%	287	326	39	14%
	Child Support	153	166	13	8%	187	202	15	8%
	Total	5,023	4,879	-144	-3%	4,773	4,771	-2	0%
Franklin	Traffic	4,966	2,779	-2,187	-44%	4,936	2,992	-1,944	-39%
	Criminal	1,600	1,803	203	13%	1,604	1,748	144	9%
	Small Claims	696	716	20	3%	693	745	52	8%
	Civil	186	222	36	19%	194	225	31	16%
	Juvenile	531	456	-75	-14%	498	543	45	9%

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		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
	Child Support	174	158	-16	-9%	185	160	-25	-14%
	Total	8,153	6,134	-2,019	-25%	8,110	6,413	-1,697	-21%
Geneva	Traffic	2,706	5,088	2,382	88%	2,987	4,915	1,928	65%
	Criminal	1,061	1,243	182	17%	1,434	1,232	-202	-14%
	Small Claims	499	569	70	14%	527	339	-188	-36%
	Civil	178	211	33	19%	143	128	-15	-10%
	Juvenile	619	510	-109	-18%	461	506	45	10%
	Child Support	400	403	3	1%	411	359	-52	-13%
	Total	5,463	8,024	2,561	47%	5,963	7,479	1,516	25%
Greene	Traffic	5,190	7,859	2,669	51%	4,527	7,143	2,616	58%
	Criminal	541	700	159	29%	470	704	234	50%
	Small Claims	170	193	23	14%	141	158	17	12%
	Civil	67	82	15	22%	57	61	4	7%
	Juvenile	150	246	96	64%	128	356	228	178%
	Child Support	326	253	-73	-22%	345	192	-153	-44%
	Total	6,444	9,333	2,889	45%	5,668	8,614	2,946	52%
Hale	Traffic	5,058	4,219	-839	-17%	4,549	4,714	165	4%
	Criminal	844	726	-118	-14%	836	766	-70	-8%
	Small Claims	473	480	7	1%	556	386	-170	-31%
	Civil	100	128	28	28%	99	82	-17	-17%
	Juvenile	164	175	11	7%	159	352	193	121%
	Child Support	393	438	45	11%	261	310	49	19%
	Total	7,032	6,166	-866	-12%	6,460	6,610	150	2%
Henry	Traffic	6,415	6,057	-358	-6%	5,226	6,805	1,579	30%
	Criminal	1,195	1,322	127	11%	1,062	1,298	236	22%
	Small Claims	629	590	-39	-6%	669	504	-165	-25%
	Civil	84	110	26	31%	89	73	-16	-18%
	Juvenile	269	289	20	7%	259	286	27	10%
	Child Support	224	253	29	13%	188	226	38	20%
	Total	8,816	8,621	-195	-2%	7,493	9,192	1,699	23%
Houston	Traffic	10,976	13,310	2,334	21%	9,989	13,181	3,192	32%
	Criminal	4,963	5,498	535	11%	4,588	5,459	871	19%
	Small Claims	5,138	5,676	538	10%	5,240	4,958	-282	-5%
	Civil	1,344	1,475	131	10%	1,187	1,200	13	1%
	Total	22,421	25,959	3,538	16%	21,004	24,798	3,794	18%
Jackson	Traffic	6,518	4,735	-1,783	-27%	6,213	5,017	-1,196	-19%
	Criminal	3,643	3,690	47	1%	3,593	3,846	253	7%
	Small Claims	1,147	1,303	156	14%	984	1,064	80	8%
	Civil	306	383	77	25%	274	290	16	6%
	Juvenile	864	858	-6	-1%	845	908	63	7%
	Child Support	492	413	-79	-16%	429	394	-35	-8%
	Total	12,970	11,382	-1,588	-12%	12,338	11,519	-819	-7%
Jefferson - Bessemer	Traffic	5,245	6,393	1,148	22%	4,950	6,533	1,583	32%
	Criminal	4,758	4,943	185	4%	4,669	5,056	387	8%
	Small Claims	1,879	2,032	153	8%	3,262	1,544	-1,718	-53%
	Civil	1,113	1,310	197	18%	1,745	1,057	-688	-39%

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		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
	Juvenile	1,368	1,287	-81	-6%	1,219	907	-312	-26%
	Child Support	1,023	1,070	47	5%	1,027	1,017	-10	-1%
	Total	15,386	17,035	1,649	11%	16,872	16,114	-758	-4%
Jefferson - Birmingham	Traffic	28,748	23,212	-5,536	-19%	25,901	25,735	-166	-1%
	Criminal	15,863	15,876	13	0%	15,124	15,974	850	6%
	Small Claims	13,949	15,667	1,718	12%	12,933	14,577	1,644	13%
	Civil	8,545	10,727	2,182	26%	7,710	8,646	936	12%
	Total	67,105	65,482	-1,623	-2%	61,668	64,932	3,264	5%
Jefferson	Traffic	33,993	29,605	-4,388	-13%	30,851	32,268	1,417	5%
	Criminal	20,621	20,819	198	1%	19,793	21,030	1,237	6%
	Small Claims	15,828	17,699	1,871	12%	16,195	16,121	-74	0%
	Civil	9,658	12,037	2,379	25%	9,455	9,703	248	3%
	Juvenile	1,368	1,287	-81	-6%	1,219	907	-312	-26%
	Child Support	1,023	1,070	47	5%	1,027	1,017	-10	-1%
	Total	82,491	82,517	26	0%	78,540	81,046	2,506	3%
Lamar	Traffic	2,366	1,744	-622	-26%	2,516	1,884	-632	-25%
	Criminal	1,224	1,274	50	4%	1,217	1,128	-89	-7%
	Small Claims	177	190	13	7%	178	191	13	7%
	Civil	87	86	-1	-1%	83	79	-4	-5%
	Juvenile	156	231	75	48%	147	205	58	39%
	Child Support	117	129	12	10%	98	134	36	37%
	Total	4,127	3,654	-473	-11%	4,239	3,621	-618	-15%
Lauderdale	Traffic	10,635	10,238	-397	-4%	10,228	10,410	182	2%
	Criminal	4,121	3,589	-532	-13%	4,104	3,850	-254	-6%
	Small Claims	1,927	1,736	-191	-10%	1,716	1,661	-55	-3%
	Civil	593	726	133	22%	544	604	60	11%
	Total	17,276	16,289	-987	-6%	16,592	16,525	-67	0%
Lawrence	Traffic	4,836	6,183	1,347	28%	5,157	5,834	677	13%
	Criminal	1,546	1,849	303	20%	1,566	1,706	140	9%
	Small Claims	405	508	103	25%	427	491	64	15%
	Civil	207	233	26	13%	191	214	23	12%
	Juvenile	480	681	201	42%	377	737	360	95%
	Child Support	227	226	-1	0%	236	211	-25	-11%
	Total	7,701	9,680	1,979	26%	7,954	9,193	1,239	16%
Lee	Traffic	13,748	17,044	3,296	24%	12,796	17,229	4,433	35%
	Criminal	5,094	4,337	-757	-15%	4,703	4,286	-417	-9%
	Small Claims	2,908	2,780	-128	-4%	2,568	3,028	460	18%
	Civil	1,029	1,279	250	24%	771	1,199	428	56%
	Total	22,779	25,440	2,661	12%	20,838	25,742	4,904	24%
Limestone	Traffic	12,691	11,653	-1,038	-8%	13,492	11,346	-2,146	-16%
	Criminal	3,840	3,617	-223	-6%	3,765	3,586	-179	-5%
	Small Claims	875	1,128	253	29%	772	989	217	28%
	Civil	523	599	76	15%	406	555	149	37%
	Juvenile	704	737	33	5%	666	750	84	13%
	Child Support	296	383	87	29%	326	288	-38	-12%
	Total	18,929	18,117	-812	-4%	19,427	17,514	-1,913	-10%



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		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
Monroe	Traffic	3,376	4,034	658	19%	3,386	3,986	600	18%
	Criminal	852	1,067	215	25%	848	1,052	204	24%
	Small Claims	643	680	37	6%	903	608	-295	-33%
	Civil	196	219	23	12%	217	179	-38	-18%
	Juvenile	321	414	93	29%	259	416	157	61%
	Child Support	315	251	-64	-20%	284	257	-27	-10%
	Total	5,703	6,665	962	17%	5,897	6,498	601	10%
Montgomery	Traffic	33,759	29,276	-4,483	-13%	31,322	31,317	-5	0%
	Criminal	5,194	4,987	-207	-4%	5,353	5,021	-332	-6%
	Small Claims	8,543	9,853	1,310	15%	9,570	10,270	700	7%
	Civil	4,555	4,913	358	8%	4,542	4,780	238	5%
	Total	52,051	49,029	-3,022	-6%	50,787	51,388	601	1%
Morgan	Traffic	12,809	9,957	-2,852	-22%	12,024	10,519	-1,505	-13%
	Criminal	3,503	4,082	579	17%	3,580	3,858	278	8%
	Small Claims	2,907	2,801	-106	-4%	2,683	3,066	383	14%
	Civil	1,062	1,251	189	18%	948	1,319	371	39%
	Juvenile	1,334	1,452	118	9%	1,312	1,654	342	26%
	Child Support	964	882	-82	-9%	1,037	966	-71	-7%
Total	22,579	20,425	-2,154	-10%	21,584	21,382	-202	-1%	
Perry	Traffic	3,080	2,920	-160	-5%	2,700	3,576	876	32%
	Criminal	303	361	58	19%	326	353	27	8%
	Small Claims	184	193	9	5%	259	196	-63	-24%
	Civil	84	80	-4	-5%	78	80	2	3%
	Juvenile	53	60	7	13%	44	130	86	195%
	Child Support	449	462	13	3%	477	375	-102	-21%
	Total	4,153	4,076	-77	-2%	3,884	4,710	826	21%
Pickens	Traffic	1,711	2,974	1,263	74%	1,486	3,043	1,557	105%
	Criminal	1,324	1,031	-293	-22%	1,204	1,096	-108	-9%
	Small Claims	336	389	53	16%	350	315	-35	-10%
	Civil	85	118	33	39%	87	100	13	15%
	Juvenile	289	289	0	0%	263	347	84	32%
	Child Support	320	527	207	65%	319	391	72	23%
Total	4,065	5,328	1,263	31%	3,709	5,292	1,583	43%	
Pike	Traffic	7,386	9,076	1,690	23%	6,817	9,390	2,573	38%
	Criminal	810	751	-59	-7%	876	722	-154	-18%
	Small Claims	1,555	1,296	-259	-17%	1,528	1,388	-140	-9%
	Civil	281	302	21	7%	289	306	17	6%
	Juvenile	551	561	10	2%	547	571	24	4%
	Child Support	380	432	52	14%	380	440	60	16%
Total	10,963	12,418	1,455	13%	10,437	12,817	2,380	23%	
Randolph	Traffic	1,150	1,168	18	2%	1,303	1,142	-161	-12%
	Criminal	708	683	-25	-4%	750	653	-97	-13%
	Small Claims	619	720	101	16%	599	679	80	13%
	Civil	134	152	18	13%	125	140	15	12%
	Juvenile	294	180	-114	-39%	331	189	-142	-43%
	Child Support	178	157	-21	-12%	163	163	0	0%
Total	3,083	3,060	-23	-1%	3,271	2,966	-305	-9%	

County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
Russell	Traffic	6,464	9,923	3,459	54%	6,810	8,861	2,051	30%
	Criminal	2,592	2,232	-360	-14%	2,764	2,300	-464	-17%
	Small Claims	1,100	1,339	239	22%	1,106	1,326	220	20%
	Civil	691	841	150	22%	674	815	141	21%
	Juvenile	1,677	1,466	-211	-13%	1,458	1,569	111	8%
	Child Support	627	799	172	27%	957	842	-115	-12%
	Total	13,151	16,600	3,449	26%	13,769	15,713	1,944	14%
St. Clair - Ashville	Traffic	3,403	4,297	894	26%	2,634	4,112	1,478	56%
	Criminal	892	768	-124	-14%	820	781	-39	-5%
	Small Claims	332	359	27	8%	332	288	-44	-13%
	Civil	185	246	61	33%	149	170	21	14%
	Juvenile	675	812	137	20%	694	1,148	454	65%
	Child Support	119	111	-8	-7%	25	39	14	56%
	Total	5,606	6,593	987	18%	4,654	6,538	1,884	40%
St. Clair - Pell City	Traffic	5,312	4,996	-316	-6%	6,500	5,276	-1,224	-19%
	Criminal	1,634	1,644	10	1%	1,538	1,635	97	6%
	Small Claims	777	903	126	16%	802	873	71	9%
	Civil	340	468	128	38%	332	413	81	24%
	Juvenile	1,255	826	-429	-34%	1,205	1,048	-157	-13%
	Child Support	232	254	22	9%	173	169	-4	-2%
	Total	9,550	9,091	-459	-5%	10,550	9,414	-1,136	-11%
St. Clair	Traffic	8,715	9,293	578	7%	9,134	9,388	254	3%
	Criminal	2,526	2,412	-114	-5%	2,358	2,416	58	2%
	Small Claims	1,109	1,262	153	14%	1,134	1,161	27	2%
	Civil	525	714	189	36%	481	583	102	21%
	Juvenile	1,930	1,638	-292	-15%	1,899	2,196	297	16%
	Child Support	351	365	14	4%	198	208	10	5%
	Total	15,156	15,684	528	3%	15,204	15,952	748	5%
Shelby	Traffic	15,421	18,153	2,732	18%	14,567	19,433	4,866	33%
	Criminal	6,173	6,439	266	4%	6,904	6,275	-629	-9%
	Small Claims	2,159	2,532	373	17%	1,420	2,463	1,043	73%
	Civil	1,245	1,522	277	22%	977	1,167	190	19%
	Juvenile	1,627	1,865	238	15%	1,540	1,920	380	25%
	Child Support	609	621	12	2%	555	590	35	6%
	Total	27,234	31,132	3,898	14%	25,963	31,848	5,885	23%
Sumter	Traffic	6,679	8,118	1,439	22%	6,899	8,133	1,234	18%
	Criminal	584	511	-73	-13%	582	515	-67	-12%
	Small Claims	255	191	-64	-25%	281	183	-98	-35%
	Civil	75	76	1	1%	71	70	-1	-1%
	Juvenile	101	91	-10	-10%	104	88	-16	-15%
	Child Support	333	398	65	20%	354	308	-46	-13%
	Total	8,027	9,385	1,358	17%	8,291	9,297	1,006	12%
Talladega - Talladega	Traffic	12,108	11,193	-915	-8%	10,484	11,982	1,498	14%
	Criminal	1,659	1,349	-310	-19%	1,709	1,406	-303	-18%
	Small Claims	903	980	77	9%	874	954	80	9%
	Civil	357	377	20	6%	309	383	74	24%

County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
	Juvenile	375	436	61	16%	377	510	133	35%
	Child Support	687	577	-110	-16%	493	630	137	28%
	Total	16,089	14,912	-1,177	-7%	14,246	15,865	1,619	11%
Talladega -	Traffic	4,894	5,400	506	10%	4,249	5,824	1,575	37%
Sylacauga	Criminal	1,470	1,506	36	2%	1,473	1,549	76	5%
	Small Claims	1,189	1,043	-146	-12%	1,211	1,180	-31	-3%
	Civil	264	309	45	17%	271	311	40	15%
	Juvenile	368	467	99	27%	343	431	88	26%
	Child Support	532	386	-146	-27%	381	372	-9	-2%
	Total	8,717	9,111	394	5%	7,928	9,667	1,739	22%
Talladega	Traffic	17,002	16,593	-409	-2%	14,733	17,806	3,073	21%
	Criminal	3,129	2,855	-274	-9%	3,182	2,955	-227	-7%
	Small Claims	2,092	2,023	-69	-3%	2,085	2,134	49	2%
	Civil	621	686	65	10%	580	694	114	20%
	Juvenile	743	903	160	22%	720	941	221	31%
	Child Support	1,219	963	-256	-21%	874	1,002	128	15%
	Total	24,806	24,023	-783	-3%	22,174	25,532	3,358	15%
Tallapoosa -	Traffic	2,956	3,880	924	31%	2,082	3,392	1,310	63%
Dadeville	Criminal	1,081	1,020	-61	-6%	924	961	37	4%
	Small Claims	387	369	-18	-5%	341	370	29	9%
	Civil	138	164	26	19%	126	125	-1	-1%
	Juvenile	412	450	38	9%	383	488	105	27%
	Child Support	97	169	72	74%	58	168	110	190%
	Total	5,071	6,052	981	19%	3,914	5,504	1,590	41%
Tallapoosa -	Traffic	2,137	3,326	1,189	56%	1,224	3,078	1,854	151%
Alex City	Criminal	1,117	1,157	40	4%	987	1,130	143	14%
	Small Claims	627	662	35	6%	510	542	32	6%
	Civil	326	289	-37	-11%	258	251	-7	-3%
	Juvenile	364	436	72	20%	338	450	112	33%
	Child Support	211	236	25	12%	189	151	-38	-20%
	Total	4,782	6,106	1,324	28%	3,506	5,602	2,096	60%
Tallapoosa	Traffic	5,093	7,206	2,113	41%	3,306	6,470	3,164	96%
	Criminal	2,198	2,177	-21	-1%	1,911	2,091	180	9%
	Small Claims	1,014	1,031	17	2%	851	912	61	7%
	Civil	464	453	-11	-2%	384	376	-8	-2%
	Juvenile	776	886	110	14%	721	938	217	30%
	Child Support	308	405	97	31%	247	319	72	29%
	Total	9,853	12,158	2,305	23%	7,420	11,106	3,686	50%
Tuscaloosa	Traffic	27,492	33,031	5,539	20%	28,236	32,280	4,044	14%
	Criminal	7,318	7,038	-280	-4%	7,472	6,907	-565	-8%
	Small Claims	4,193	4,476	283	7%	4,451	4,460	9	0%
	Civil	1,927	2,053	126	7%	1,895	1,999	104	5%
	Total	40,930	46,598	5,668	14%	42,054	45,646	3,592	9%
Walker	Traffic	10,834	6,749	-4,085	-38%	10,836	7,679	-3,157	-29%
	Criminal	2,567	2,549	-18	-1%	2,449	2,540	91	4%
	Small Claims	1,117	1,394	277	25%	1,028	1,327	299	29%

County	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
	Civil	520	640	120	23%	443	595	152	34%
	Child Support	363	292	-71	-20%	403	298	-105	-26%
	Total	15,401	11,624	-3,777	-25%	15,159	12,439	-2,720	-18%
Washington	Traffic	5,470	6,126	656	12%	5,014	6,130	1,116	22%
	Criminal	914	1,139	225	25%	896	1,114	218	24%
	Small Claims	331	387	56	17%	261	309	48	18%
	Civil	78	94	16	21%	62	98	36	58%
	Juvenile	109	88	-21	-19%	101	124	23	23%
	Child Support	311	339	28	9%	243	241	-2	-1%
	Total	7,213	8,173	960	13%	6,577	8,016	1,439	22%
Wilcox	Traffic	3,420	3,315	-105	-3%	3,507	3,757	250	7%
	Criminal	594	552	-42	-7%	594	559	-35	-6%
	Small Claims	241	236	-5	-2%	284	330	46	16%
	Civil	78	88	10	13%	82	112	30	37%
	Juvenile	235	183	-52	-22%	186	204	18	10%
	Child Support	508	388	-120	-24%	236	269	33	14%
	Total	5,076	4,762	-314	-6%	4,889	5,231	342	7%
Winston	Traffic	5,572	3,137	-2,435	-44%	5,901	3,498	-2,403	-41%
	Criminal	1,265	1,211	-54	-4%	1,349	1,264	-85	-6%
	Small Claims	325	435	110	34%	464	440	-24	-5%
	Civil	157	176	19	12%	211	185	-26	-12%
	Juvenile	182	227	45	25%	213	513	300	141%
	Child Support	125	116	-9	-7%	125	109	-16	-13%
	Total	7,626	5,302	-2,324	-30%	8,263	6,009	-2,254	-27%

**\*\*\* ALABAMA STATEWIDE DISTRICT COURT TOTALS \*\*\***

	Jurisdiction	Cases Filed		Change 2007-2008		Cases Disposed		Change 2004-2008	
		2007	2008	# +/-	%	2007	2008	# +/-	%
Statewide	Traffic	602,531	653,711	51,180	8%	566,625	669,267	102,642	18%
	Criminal	192,576	193,227	651	0%	189,265	190,691	1,426	1%
	Small Claims	106,596	116,783	10,187	10%	106,209	113,029	6,820	6%
	Civil	46,841	55,801	8,960	19%	43,433	51,225	7,792	18%
	Juvenile	34,937	34,718	-219	-1%	33,036	39,133	6,097	18%
	Child Support	23,673	24,451	778	3%	22,876	22,853	-23	0%
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,007,154</b>	<b>1,078,691</b>	<b>71,537</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>961,444</b>	<b>1,086,198</b>	<b>124,754</b>	<b>13%</b>

**Table 3: Jury Trials as a Percent of Case Dispositions, Fiscal Years 2007 and 2008**

Circuit	Counties	FY 2007 Criminal			FY 2007 Civil			FY 2008 Criminal			FY 2008 Civil		
		Trials	Disp.	Pct	Trials	Disp.	Pct	Trials	Disp.	Pct	Trials	Disp.	Pct
1st	Choctaw, Clarke, and Washington	12	902	1.33%	3	568	0.52%	9	1164	0.77%	3	587	0.51%
2nd	Butler, Crenshaw, and Lowndes	13	859	1.51%	1	451	0.22%	16	757	2.11%	3	470	0.63%
3rd	Barbour, Bullock	3	577	0.51%	3	393	0.76%	10	682	1.46%	0	356	0.00%
4th	Bibb, Dallas, Hale, Perry and Wilcox	12	1,336	0.89%	8	1,079	0.74%	16	1279	1.25%	5	1272	0.39%
5th	Chambers, Macon, Randolph and Tallapoosa	28	1,730	1.61%	12	1,081	1.11%	40	2047	1.95%	17	1058	1.60%
6th	Tuscaloosa	35	3,918	0.89%	20	1,795	1.11%	54	4426	1.22%	15	1755	0.85%
7th	Calhoun and Cleburne	17	3,216	0.52%	14	1,024	1.36%	24	2803	0.85%	11	1001	1.09%
8th	Morgan	53	1,927	2.75%	18	891	2.02%	43	2150	2.00%	6	901	0.66%
9th	Cherokee and Dekalb	13	1,685	0.77%	5	558	0.89%	3	1410	0.21%	6	589	1.01%
10th	Birmingham and Bessemer	229	7,502	3.05%	89	7,163	1.24%	224	6747	3.31%	110	8299	1.32%
11th	Lauderdale	25	1,807	1.38%	18	1,892	0.95%	25	1792	1.39%	13	1840	0.70%
12th	Coffee and Pike	31	1,069	2.89%	15	646	2.32%	33	1036	3.18%	7	627	1.11%
13th	Mobile	38	2,216	1.71%	5	1,030	0.48%	41	1924	2.13%	11	815	1.34%
14th	Walker	107	7,840	1.36%	41	4,089	1.00%	83	8475	0.97%	46	4357	1.05%
15th	Montgomery	3	479	0.62%	6	738	0.81%	3	578	0.51%	13	827	1.57%
16th	Etowah	77	2,546	3.02%	15	3,497	0.42%	51	2428	2.10%	30	3478	0.86%
17th	Greene, Marengo and Sumter	6	2,351	0.25%	9	1,407	0.63%	41	2026	2.02%	16	1485	1.07%
18th	Shelby	14	396	3.53%	9	415	2.16%	20	430	4.65%	7	446	1.56%
19th	Autauga, Chilton and Elmore	18	2,292	0.78%	7	1,731	0.40%	14	2611	0.53%	5	1925	0.25%
20th	Henry and Houston	24	1,875	1.28%	11	1,424	0.77%	52	2088	2.49%	10	1461	0.68%
21st	Escambia	103	4,472	2.30%	14	1,077	1.29%	124	3395	3.65%	5	1129	0.44%
22nd	Covington	5	642	0.77%	4	257	1.55%	0	634	0.00%	1	354	0.28%
23rd	Madison	24	745	3.22%	3	273	1.09%	25	817	3.05%	6	251	2.39%
24th	Fayette, Lamar and Pickens	37	8,870	0.41%	23	2,617	0.87%	21	9352	0.22%	22	2687	0.81%
25th	Marion and Winston	1	844	0.11%	1	377	0.26%	1	1381	0.07%	1	381	0.26%
26th	Russell	14	670	2.08%	5	428	1.16%	13	829	1.56%	4	511	0.78%
27th	Marshall	30	1,421	2.11%	4	450	0.88%	61	1925	3.16%	2	512	0.39%
28th	Baldwin	1	960	0.10%	6	705	0.85%	4	1687	0.23%	5	767	0.65%
29th	Talladega	73	3,916	1.86%	19	1,847	1.02%	118	4665	2.52%	22	2019	1.08%
30th	St. Clair	21	1,573	1.33%	8	776	1.03%	46	1204	3.82%	3	783	0.38%
31st	Colbert	2	1,043	0.19%	9	787	1.14%	10	1050	0.95%	8	885	0.90%
32nd	Cullman	6	677	0.88%	5	481	1.03%	3	573	0.52%	8	640	1.25%
33rd	Dale and Geneva	9	505	1.78%	5	615	0.81%	8	568	1.40%	1	679	0.14%
34th	Franklin	12	1,437	0.83%	4	532	0.75%	19	1263	1.50%	4	584	0.68%
35th	Franklin	13	473	2.74%	2	274	0.72%	16	485	3.29%	1	272	0.36%
36th	Conecuh and Monroe	3	401	0.74%	4	325	1.23%	2	347	0.57%	9	365	2.46%
37th	Lawrence	4	935	0.42%	3	236	1.27%	8	781	1.02%	1	260	0.38%
38th	Lee	34	1,609	2.11%	11	891	1.23%	23	1695	1.35%	15	1035	1.44%
39th	Jackson	3	928	0.32%	2	344	0.58%	2	1234	0.16%	2	414	0.48%
40th	Limestone	1	1,008	0.09%	3	665	0.45%	1	935	0.10%	4	675	0.59%
41st	Clay and Coosa	8	514	1.55%	0	223	0.00%	8	613	1.30%	1	159	0.62%
	Blount	12	696	1.72%	1	342	0.29%	10	805	1.24%	2	454	0.44%
	<b>Statewide Totals</b>	<b>1,174</b>	<b>80,862</b>	<b>1.45%</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>46,394</b>	<b>0.95%</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>83,091</b>	<b>1.59%</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>49,365</b>	<b>0.93%</b>

**Note Includes jury trial begun no verdict**

**Table 4: Jury Expenses, Fiscal Years 2005 - 2008**

Circuit	Counties	FY 2005		FY 2006		FY 2007		FY 2008	
		Trials	Expense	Trials	Expense	Trials	Expense	Trials	Expense
1st	Choctaw, Clarke, and Washington	12	\$20,710	13	\$20,810	16	\$19,870	12	\$23,940
2nd	Butler, Crenshaw, and Lowndes	27	\$22,260	40	\$15,290	18	\$9,650	19	\$10,920
3rd	Barbour, Bullock	5	\$6,850	11	\$11,900	6	\$8,910	10	\$6,800
4th	Bibb, Dallas, Hale, Perry and Wilcox	21	\$30,800	17	\$39,270	23	\$38,880	21	\$28,700
5th	Chambers, Macon, Randolph and Tallapoosa	48	\$61,250	50	\$68,490	40	\$72,670	57	\$67,780
6th	Tuscaloosa	67	\$45,950	54	\$50,510	55	\$50,330	69	\$51,630
7th	Calhoun and Cleburne	47	\$42,950	28	\$41,470	31	\$41,470	35	\$34,310
8th	Morgan	120	\$59,010	87	\$43,380	88	\$76,110	49	\$37,350
9th	Cherokee and DeKalb	34	\$10,320	14	\$9,510	18	\$11,330	9	\$12,620
10th	Birmingham	436	\$259,520	428	\$274,030	338	\$242,630	334	\$234,760
	Bessemer	40	\$49,540	70	\$55,400	44	\$44,570	38	\$46,080
11th	Lauderdale	30	\$19,750	52	\$30,570	56	\$33,410	40	\$26,160
12th	Coffee and Pike	19	\$19,830	52	\$27,270	44	\$23,290	52	\$29,800
13th	Mobile	168	\$110,580	173	\$133,610	156	\$152,650	129	\$167,630
14th	Walker	5	\$16,030	12	\$14,490	9	\$10,940	16	\$30,420
15th	Montgomery	106	\$90,280	113	\$91,720	100	\$80,380	81	\$69,570
16th	Etowah	56	\$50,330	33	\$50,980	17	\$44,790	57	\$55,250
17th	Greene, Marengo and Sumter	18	\$14,130	21	\$14,930	24	\$15,980	27	\$17,140
18th	Shelby	33	\$38,080	22	\$33,800	25	\$30,130	19	\$18,480
19th	Autauga, Chilton Elmore	43	\$31,120	40	\$36,290	40	\$40,380	62	\$40,940
20th	Henry and Houston	155	\$101,990	83	\$151,810	121	\$113,520	129	\$91,510
21st	Escambia	10	\$6,090	7	\$8,930	9	\$12,270	1	\$6,440
22nd	Covington	44	\$19,360	37	\$22,620	33	\$19,430	31	\$16,940
23rd	Madison	69	\$52,650	68	\$61,120	69	\$69,470	43	\$63,930
24th	Fayette, Lamar and Pickens	8	\$17,130	4	\$7,990	3	\$11,630	2	\$7,580
25th	Marion and Winston	27	\$16,210	30	\$15,070	19	\$15,890	17	\$15,990
26th	Russell	52	\$16,590	49	\$19,810	39	\$18,200	63	\$24,280
27th	Marshall	8	\$23,280	6	\$32,870	7	\$31,420	9	\$34,340
28th	Baldwin	108	\$63,660	101	\$60,480	100	\$62,560	140	\$61,760
29th	Talladega	51	\$20,900	27	\$15,470	37	\$18,220	49	\$18,470
30th	St. Clair	12	\$11,940	24	\$22,480	15	\$55,380	18	\$26,410
31st	Colbert	29	\$15,930	17	\$15,240	11	\$16,830	11	\$14,440
32nd	Cullman	17	\$12,190	15	\$16,630	15	\$15,600	9	\$14,950
33rd	Dale and Geneva	37	\$25,280	44	\$26,630	16	\$19,550	23	\$23,920
34th	Franklin	15	\$11,800	15	\$11,390	15	\$9,400	17	\$10,110
35th	Conecuh and Monroe	13	\$11,200	13	\$10,870	7	\$10,630	11	\$8,810
36th	Lawrence	10	\$7,290	14	\$10,190	10	\$6,800	9	\$5,750
37th	Lee	36	\$22,700	40	\$29,210	55	\$35,770	38	\$35,460
38th	Jackson	12	\$7,660	6	\$10,980	5	\$9,600	4	\$13,740
39th	Limestone	6	\$11,530	8	\$10,280	4	\$8,860	5	\$9,860
40th	Clay and Coosa	20	\$8,220	5	\$5,830	10	\$6,270	9	\$5,330
41st	Blount	15	\$14,960	13	\$17,210	14	\$9,290	12	\$13,290
<b>Statewide Totals</b>		<b>2,089</b>	<b>\$1,497,850</b>	<b>1,956</b>	<b>\$1,646,830</b>	<b>1,762</b>	<b>\$1,624,960</b>	<b>1,786</b>	<b>\$1,533,590</b>

**Table 5: Jury Cost Per Trial, Fiscal Years 2005 - 2008**

Circuit	Counties	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	% Change 2007-2008
1st	Choctaw, Clarke, and Washington	\$1,726	\$1,601	\$1,242	\$1,995	61%
2nd	Butler, Crenshaw, and Lowndes	\$825	\$382	\$536	\$575	7%
3rd	Barbour, Bullock	\$1,370	\$1,082	\$1,485	\$680	-54%
4th	Bibb, Dallas, Hale, Perry and Wilcox	\$1,467	\$2,310	\$1,690	\$1,367	-19%
5th	Chambers, Macon, Randolph and Tallapoosa	\$1,276	\$1,370	\$1,817	\$1,189	-35%
6th	Tuscaloosa	\$686	\$935	\$915	\$748	-18%
7th	Calhoun and Cleburne	\$914	\$1,481	\$1,338	\$980	-27%
8th	Morgan	\$492	\$499	\$865	\$762	-12%
9th	Cherokee and DeKalb	\$304	\$679	\$629	\$1,402	123%
10th	Birmingham Bessemer	\$595 \$1,239	\$640 \$791	\$718 \$1,013	\$703 \$1,213	-2% 20%
11th	Lauderdale	\$658	\$588	\$597	\$654	10%
12th	Coffee and Pike	\$1,044	\$524	\$529	\$573	8%
13th	Mobile	\$658	\$772	\$979	\$1,299	33%
14th	Walker	\$3,206	\$1,208	\$1,216	\$1,901	56%
15th	Montgomery	\$852	\$812	\$804	\$859	7%
16th	Etowah	\$899	\$1,545	\$2,635	\$969	-63%
17th	Greene, Marengo and Sumter	\$782	\$711	\$666	\$635	-5%
18th	Shelby	\$1,154	\$1,536	\$1,205	\$973	-19%
19th	Autauga, Chilton Elmore	\$724	\$907	\$1,010	\$660	-35%
20th	Henry and Houston	\$658	\$1,829	\$938	\$709	-24%
21st	Escambia	\$609	\$1,276	\$1,363	\$6,440	372%
22nd	Covington	\$440	\$611	\$589	\$546	-7%
23rd	Madison	\$763	\$899	\$1,007	\$1,487	48%
24th	Fayette, Lamar and Pickens	\$214	\$1,998	\$3,877	\$3,790	-2%
25th	Marion and Winston	\$600	\$502	\$836	\$941	12%
26th	Russell	\$319	\$404	\$467	\$385	-17%
27th	Marshall	\$2,910	\$5,478	\$4,489	\$3,816	-15%
28th	Baldwin	\$589	\$599	\$626	\$441	-29%
29th	Talladega	\$410	\$573	\$492	\$377	-23%
30th	St. Clair	\$995	\$937	\$3,692	\$1,467	-60%
31st	Colbert	\$549	\$896	\$1,530	\$1,313	-14%
32nd	Cullman	\$717	\$1,109	\$1,040	\$1,661	60%
33rd	Dale and Geneva	\$683	\$605	\$1,222	\$1,040	-15%
34th	Franklin	\$787	\$759	\$627	\$595	-5%
35th	Conecuh and Monroe	\$862	\$836	\$1,519	\$801	-47%
36th	Lawrence	\$729	\$728	\$680	\$639	-6%
37th	Lee	\$631	\$730	\$650	\$933	43%
38th	Jackson	\$639	\$1,830	\$1,920	\$3,435	79%
39th	Limestone	\$1,922	\$1,285	\$2,215	\$1,972	-11%
40th	Clay and Coosa	\$411	\$1,166	\$627	\$592	-6%
41st	Blount	\$997	\$1,324	\$664	\$1,108	67%
<b>Statewide Totals</b>		<b>\$717</b>	<b>\$842</b>	<b>\$922</b>	<b>\$859</b>	<b>-7%</b>

**Table 6: Municipal Court Caseload Statistics, FY 2008**

County	Municipality	Population	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed		
			Traffic 2008	Non-Traffic 2008	Total 2008	Traffic 2008	Non-Traffic 2008	Total 2008
Baldwin	Daphne	21,000	4,874	632	5,506	5,136	757	5,893
	Elberta	1,200	1,270	140	1,410	1,238	147	1,385
	Fairhope	12,500	996	1,131	2,127	1,052	995	2,047
	Foley	10,000	5,644	1,858	7,502	5,458	1,809	7,267
	Gulf Shores	6,000	2,030	1,214	3,244	2,257	1,183	3,440
	Orange Beach	5,500	1,330	466	1,796	1,545	477	2,022
	Robertsdale	3,991	5,037	882	5,919	4,215	631	4,846
	Silverhill	620	512	47	559	502	63	565
	Summerdale	655	2,490	254	2,744	2,790	252	3,042
Barbour	Eufaula	14,000	3,931	611	4,542	3,376	595	3,971
Bibb	Brent	4,447	492	351	843	491	282	773
	Centreville	2,466	439	240	679	507	250	757
	Woodstock	800	507	210	717	339	135	474
Blount	Blountsville	1,768	657	156	813	597	136	733
	Oneonta	5,576	1,245	535	1,780	851	352	1,203
	Snead	743	817	190	1,007	651	118	769
Calhoun	Anniston	24,276	7,112	3,148	10,260	7,096	3,217	10,313
	Jacksonville	8,404	1,557	797	2,354	1,540	839	2,379
	Ohatchee	1,215	1,642	57	1,699	1,423	28	1,451
	Oxford	21,000	966	1,148	2,114	872	1,050	1,922
	Piedmont	5,700	1,106	363	1,469	1,039	328	1,367
Cherokee	Centre	3,216	331	170	501	340	159	499
Chilton	Clanton	8,000	706	529	1,235	625	462	1,087
	Jemison	2,248	769	290	1,059	618	243	861
	Maplesville	672	1,377	197	1,574	1,124	89	1,213
Choctaw	Pennington	300	23	10	33	20	6	26
	Silas	529	98	3	101	72	2	74
	Toxey	152	3	0	3	3	0	3
Clarke	Fulton	308	23	0	23	5	0	5
	Grove Hill	1,438	638	89	727	725	135	860
	Jackson	5,419	2,311	203	2,514	2,173	211	2,384
	Thomasville	4,649	1,959	360	2,319	1,983	399	2,382
Clay	Lineville	2,424	752	223	975	766	237	1,003
Coffee	Enterprise	22,000	2,433	1,092	3,525	1,999	909	2,908
Colbert	Cherokee	1,237	247	45	292	191	20	211
	Leighton	900	467	32	499	99	26	125
	Muscle Shoals	11,924	2,400	627	3,027	2,451	576	3,027
	Tuscumbia	9,500	986	313	1,299	811	201	1,012
Conecuh	Evergreen	3,630	1,833	298	2,131	1,587	302	1,889
	Repton	300	172	1	173	32	0	32
Covington	Andalusia	8,900	1,875	562	2,437	1,758	541	2,299
	Gantt	241	43	5	48	32	3	35
	Lockhart	548	259	2	261	0	0	0
	Opp	7,500	1,697	500	2,197	1,539	429	1,968
	Red Level	578	129	4	133	130	3	133
Crenshaw	Brantley	950	1,352	20	1,372	1,183	11	1,194
	Luverne	2,675	486	122	608	477	127	604
Cullman	Hanceville	2,951	1,835	354	2,189	1,292	256	1,548
Dale	Daleville	5,117	1,837	396	2,233	0	0	0
	Midland City	2,500	1,523	134	1,657	1,495	146	1,641
	Pinckard	660	152	1	154	140	1	141
DeKalb	Collinsville	1,644	854	108	962	830	100	930
	Hammondville	486	103	30	133	133	30	163
	Henagar	2,507	167	63	230	149	52	201

County	Municipality	Population	Cases Filed			Cases Disposed		
			Traffic	Non-Traffic	Total	Traffic	Non-Traffic	Total
			2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008
	Ider	647	51	13	64	70	18	88
	Powell	1,000	49	7	56	49	7	56
Elmore	Millbrook	15,580	2,610	647	3,257	2,082	512	2,594
	Tallassee	4,934	846	676	1,522	1,940	1,261	3,201
	Wetumpka	6,500	2,005	342	2,347	1,672	329	2,001
Escambia	Atmore	7,530	1,355	549	1,904	1,315	541	1,856
	Brewton	5,498	787	422	1,209	653	450	1,103
Etowah	Attalla	6,859	1,505	1,017	2,522	1,530	1,008	2,538
	Gadsden	38,978	2,655	4,066	6,721	0	0	0
	Glencoe	5,152	1,104	75	1,179	1,159	108	1,267
	Rainbow City	10,000	961	499	1,460	1,073	516	1,589
	Southside	8,118	1,579	332	1,911	1,456	325	1,781
Fayette	Berry	1,238	201	66	267	235	51	286
	Fayette	4,922	1,019	186	1,205	1,562	223	1,785
Franklin	Phil Campbell	1,090	98	35	133	84	27	111
	Red Bay	3,451	414	225	639	378	197	575
Geneva	Geneva	4,388	215	105	320	180	100	280
	Hartford	2,429	599	244	843	685	310	995
	Slocomb	2,100	579	225	804	466	158	624
Greene	Eutaw	3,000	496	111	607	496	111	607
Hale	Greensboro	2,731	955	321	1,276	614	200	814
Houston	Ashford	1,348	467	28	495	419	26	445
	Cottonwood	1,170	696	11	707	668	11	679
Jackson	Bridgeport	1,000	614	98	712	458	81	539
	Skyline	840	227	8	235	0	0	0
Jefferson	Bessemer	29,672	9,113	4,680	13,793	9,144	4,176	13,320
	Birmingham	242,820	108,071	109,772	217,843	62,947	30,136	93,083
	Brookside	1,400	140	18	158	103	10	113
	Gardendale	13,000	1,811	1,178	2,989	1,648	1,082	2,730
	Homewood	25,000	9,605	1,732	11,337	9,987	2,197	12,184
	Hueytown	20,000	4,826	1,868	6,694	4,727	1,994	6,721
	Irondale	12,500	3,029	520	3,549	3,121	659	3,780
	Kimberly	1,801	418	192	610	340	86	426
	Morris	1,827	918	346	1,264	618	252	870
	Mountain Brook	20,500	3,692	247	3,939	4,372	327	4,699
	Pleasant Grove	9,983	498	220	718	348	136	484
Trussville	18,500	4,164	1,188	5,352	3,829	1,174	5,003	
Lauderdale	Florence	36,000	9,172	12,823	21,995	13,740	6,869	20,609
	Killen	1,200	1,022	74	1,096	955	58	1,013
	Lexington	900	78	51	129	54	29	83
	Rogersville	1,199	1,226	64	1,290	1,118	52	1,170
Lawrence	Courtland	769	110	40	150	104	39	143
	Town Creek	1,215	1,072	126	1,198	891	72	963
Lee	Auburn	51,906	14,694	2,858	17,552	13,760	2,690	16,450
Limestone	Athens	21,000	6,826	915	7,741	6,792	819	7,611
Lowndes	Hayneville	1,177	126	3	129	0	0	0
Madison	Madison	45,000	13,086	1,000	14,086	13,028	955	13,983
	New Hope	2,700	507	246	753	610	164	774
	Triana	800	73	0	73	0	0	0
Marengo	Demopolis	7,540	1,214	1,140	2,354	1,011	481	1,492
	Linden	2,424	782	248	1,030	608	226	834
Marion	Bear Creek	1,053	80	7	87	57	3	60
	Guin	2,400	145	48	193	119	37	156
	Hackleburg	1,527	323	27	350	288	14	302
	Hamilton	6,786	1,180	129	1,309	882	116	998
	Winfield	4,500	1,118	143	1,261	1,014	126	1,140

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			Traffic	Non-Traffic	Total	Traffic	Non-Traffic	Total
			2008	2008	2008	2008	2008	2008
Marshall	Albertville	25,000	3,461	1,391	4,852	3,591	1,682	5,273
	Arab	7,500	2,438	866	3,304	2,712	1,214	3,926
	Douglas	531	724	112	836	0	0	0
	Grant	665	118	51	169	102	36	138
	Guntersville	7,500	3,627	1,267	4,894	3,569	1,261	4,830
Mobile	Bayou La Batre	2,500	483	719	1,202	541	654	1,195
	Chickasaw	6,200	2,138	1,126	3,264	2,214	1,053	3,267
	Dauphin Island	1,300	393	156	549	468	252	720
	Mobile	221,400	68,323	17,839	86,162	61,096	15,482	76,578
	Prichard	28,000	3,685	1,487	5,172	2,498	1,013	3,511
	Satsuma	6,000	1,380	918	2,298	1,402	680	2,082
Monroe	Excel	400	195	34	229	169	23	192
Montgomery	Montgomery	201,568	81,681	8,172	89,853	55,228	5,869	61,097
Morgan	Decatur	53,500	17,508	5,065	22,573	11,513	3,716	15,229
	Falkville	1,202	888	206	1,094	665	119	784
	Trinity	1,841	1,262	154	1,416	1,201	162	1,363
Pickens	Carrollton	987	236	128	364	169	63	232
	Gordo	1,600	984	179	1,163	944	187	1,131
	Pickensville	672	155	20	175	126	13	139
Pike	Brundidge	2,472	932	79	1,011	840	80	920
Randolph	Wadley	640	123	26	149	107	25	132
	Wedowee	900	306	149	455	297	131	428
Russell	Hurtsboro	592	29	9	38	35	4	39
	Phenix City	29,088	11,491	1,833	13,324	10,691	1,608	12,299
Shelby	Alabaster	25,000	5,700	906	6,606	5,856	901	6,757
	Calera	10,000	1,364	406	1,770	1,258	358	1,616
	Columbiana	3,316	1,086	160	1,246	211	55	266
	Helena	16,000	3,248	386	3,634	3,416	468	3,884
	Montevallo	5,000	1,679	487	2,166	1,864	438	2,302
	Pelham	20,500	7,368	510	7,878	6,486	514	7,000
	Vincent	1,853	557	127	684	647	171	818
St. Clair	Ashville	2,260	1,114	208	1,322	917	147	1,064
	Margaret	1,169	52	10	62	199	73	272
	Odenville	1,992	1,390	283	1,673	1,277	230	1,507
	Pell City	9,995	4,920	1,187	6,107	4,302	808	5,110
	Riverside	1,564	421	52	473	601	95	696
	Springville	2,553	509	108	617	510	106	616
	Steele	1,188	336	21	357	306	22	328
Sumter	Livingston	3,200	232	176	408	217	174	391
Talledega	Talladega	18,000	2,904	1,100	4,004	2,766	1,175	3,941
Tallapoosa	Dadeville	3,800	586	171	757	548	179	727
Tuscaloosa	Lake View	1,900	324	111	435	300	97	397
	Tuscaloosa	83,052	19,512	5,691	25,203	19,376	5,560	24,936
	Vance	1,300	435	46	481	411	40	451
Walker	Dora	2,500	191	85	276	191	85	276
	Jasper	14,052	3,062	3,602	6,664	3,189	3,791	6,980
Washington	Chatom	1,193	117	33	150	117	33	150
	Millry	875	235	64	299	234	73	307
Wilcox	Camden	2,650	152	88	240	5	3	8
	Pine Hill	966	444	107	551	619	153	772
Winston	Addison	723	243	56	299	181	29	210
	Arley	290	125	41	166	80	16	96
<b>Statewide Totals (59% reporting)</b>			<b>556,566</b>	<b>231,632</b>	<b>788,198</b>	<b>459,478</b>	<b>131,990</b>	<b>591,468</b>